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M. L. EGYPT	7913	G. L. Langborne	5th Oct.
* PENINSULAR	5287	T. Leigh	12th "
M.L. ORIENTAL	5284	J. F. Jephson	19th "
* CALEDONIA	7558	E. H. Gordon	26th "
M.L. PENINSULAR	5287	T. Leigh	2nd Nov.
* ARABIA	7903	J. L. Parfitt	9th "
M.L. CALEDONIA	7558	E. H. Gordon	16th "
* PERSIA	8000	W. A. Wheler	23rd "
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	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
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Bombay, 30th August, 1901.

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W. HALL,
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Gold baju, rings, pochi, watch chain, armlet, hirakanthi, dora, pearl buldies, beads, loose pearls, bedharies, bangles, and silver toe rings.

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TO-MORROW, TUESDAY, the 3rd instant, at 2 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at their Rooms on account of the concerned, a large varied and valuable collection of jewellery consisting of lady's gold self closing bracelets fitted with watches and pearls, diamonds, rubies and emeralds, gold and silver brooches set with pearls, rubies and diamonds, engagement and presentation rings set with pearls, rubies, diamonds and sapphires, gold guard chains and watch in wards, lady's gold and silver watches, necklets with lockets, earrings, bracelets set with diamond, rubies and sapphires, brooches, gent's watch guards, gold rings set with diamonds, rubies and pearls, gent's and ladies' gold, silver and metal watches, watch chains, wedding and birth day presents, lady's 18 carat rolled gold bracelets, gent's 14 carat rolled gold watches, a handsome silver tea set complete, shawl, etc.

The property is on view.

AUCTION SALE OF HANDSOME BRONZE FIGURES, BENTWOOD FURNITURE, RICH MAJOLICA WARE, IRON SAFES, ETC.

On WEDNESDAY, the 4th and THURSDAY the 5th instant at 2 p.m., each day, Messrs CRAWFORD and Co., are instructed to sell by Public Auction in Watson Building, Church Gate Street, Fort, by order of the concerned, the following suitable for garden and hall decoration, consisting of handsome bronze figures with clocks, busts, rich majolica branched Jardinies with flower pots, marble clocks and time pieces, gilt bentwood sofas, chairs, easy and rocking chairs, Austrian safes of different sizes, mirror, brackets, carpets, etc.

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SALE OF VALUABLE LANDED PROPERTY IN BAZAAR GATE STREET, FORT.

Under instructions from the Administrator-General as administrator of the estate of the late Haji Abdul Karim Khaluckdina, Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction on the premises on THURSDAY, the 26th instant at 4 p.m., the following landed property, viz.:—

All that piece of ground situate at Bazar Gate Street, within the Fort, in the Island of Bombay, in the Registration Sub-district of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 185 square yards or thereabouts, and registered by the Collector of Land Revenue under No. 435, new No. 5901, old Survey No. 133, and new Survey No. 3615, and which said land is bounded on the north by the property of Dyalchund Mulookchund, on the south by the property of Manockchund Lalji, on the east by a sweeper's passage, and on the west by the Bazar Gate Street, together with the messuages, dwelling-houses and premises built and standing thereon, and assessed by the Municipality of Bombay under Ward No. 2125, and Street Nos. 145, 147 and 149, and are now in the occupation of the tenants of the vendor.

For further particulars and conditions of sale, application may be made to the Undersigned.

CRAWFORD & CO.

Bombay, 2nd September, 1901.

MENESSE AND COMPANY, No. 35, HUMMUM STREET.

AUCTION SALE OF 600 BALES GOOD BROACH COTTON.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.
Ordinary Original Civil Jurisdiction.
Suit No. 449 of 1901.

(1) Dinshaw Furdoonjee, (2) Pestonjee Furdoonjee, (3) Rustomjee Furdoonjee, Parsee inhabitants, residing at Broach and (4) Ruttonjee Furdoonjee of Bombay, Parsee inhabitant, residing at Thakoredwar without the Fort of Bombay, and all carrying on business together in co-partnership under the name and style of Dinshaw Furdoonjee and Brothers, at No. 95, Apollo Street within the Fort of Bombay .....Plaintiffs,

vs.

(1) Chunilal Dharamdass, employed in the Bank of Bombay and residing at Chowpatti without the Fort of Bombay, (2) Jethmal Ramanand and (3) Kanayalal Harmukhrai, carrying on business by their mooniin in partnership under the name and style of Jethmal Kanayalal, at No. —, Kalbadevi Road, without the Fort of Bombay .....Defendants.

Pursuant to the order made in the above Suit on the 5th day of August, 1901, and under instructions from the Receiver appointed herein, Messrs. MENESSE and Co. will THIS DAY, MONDAY, the 2nd day of September, 1901, at 4 p.m., sell by Public Auction to the highest bidder, at Colaba, in the godown No. 1st, at Bhaiya Lane.

600 full-pressed bales of good Broach cotton, mark J K in lots of 100 bales.

A deposit of 25 per cent. will be required at the time of sale and the balance shall be paid and delivery taken the next day in default whereof the said bales shall be again put for sale by Public Auction at the account and risk and costs of the defaulting purchaser, who shall make good all the loss, costs and charges incurred thereby.

MENESSE & Co.

Bombay, 2nd September, 1901.

BENNETT AND COMPANY, No. 23, APOLLO STREET.

AUCTION SALE OF UNDIVIDED 23RDS SHARE INVALUABLE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY, situate at Bazaars Moholla or Balso Sarang Street,

That in exercise of the power of sale contained in an Indenture of Mortgage, dated the 8th October, 1896, made between Shuruffally Mossabhoy, the mortgagor of the one part, and the mortgagees of the other part, and under the instructions of the Mortgagees, Messrs BENNETT & Co. will sell by Public Auction on the premises at Balso Sarang Street THIS DAY, MONDAY, the 2nd instant, at 4 p.m. (subject to conditions of sale which will then be produced) the property which is described as follows in the said Indenture of Mortgage: That is to say, all that undivided two-thirds part or share and all other the share, estate, and interest of Shuruffally Mossabhoy in all that piece or parcel of Kazeedari land or ground belonging to Borah Sumsoodin Tyabally, together with the messuages, tenement, or dwelling house standing thereon, situate, lying and being on the west side of Bhusaree Mohalla, or Ba oo Sarang Street, in the Sub district of Bombay, in the Island of Bombay, and which said house and premises are assessed by the Assessor of Municipal Rates and Taxes under Ward No 151, Street Nos. 21-26, Street Sarang Street B ward and containing by admeasurement in length 16 feet and in breath 81 or thereabouts, be the same little more or less, and are bounded as follows: that is to say on or towards the east by the said Bhusaree Mohalla or Balso Sarang Street, on or towards the west by a sweeper's passage, on or towards the north by the property of Khoja Hassan Nensey, and on or towards the south by the property of Meeya Mahomed Salley Dhoro, and which premises are now in the occupation of the tenants of the said Shuruffally Moosabhoy.

The conditions of sale can be seen at the office of the Auctioneers or of Messrs. Little and Co., Attorneys for the Mortgagees at the Old Secretariat, Apollo Street, Fort, Bombay.

AUCTION SALE OF FURNITURE, &c., OF THE S.S. "CLYDE."

TO-MORROW, TUESDAY, the 3rd instant, at 1 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT & Co. will sell by Public Auction on board the s. s. "Clyde," at Prince's Dock near the L Shed, the remaining furniture of the said steamer, consisting of mahogony dining tables, chairs, chest of drawers, beds with horsehair mattresses, feather pillows, dressing glasses, rich glass and crockeryware, electroplateware, consisting of cruet and pickle frames, toast rack, curry dishes, soup tureens, tea sets, napkin rings, spoons and forks, desert and fish knives and forks, &c., Brussels carpets and rugs, table covers and table linen, table hanging and bracket lamps, &c., &c.

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ON THURSDAY, the 5th instant, at 1 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at Church Gate Street, Fort, opposite to Singer & Co., very valuable and handsome French polished, teak and blackwood household furniture, of the latest design, made by Madrasi carpenters, consisting of drawing room suits, sofas and chairs lined with rich tapesury, drawing room cabinets, chiffoniers, marble top tables and teapoys, revolving and plain, top office tables, new designed sideboards, single and double door almyras, wardrobes, chest of drawers, wall brackets, &c., &c.

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Bombay, 2nd September, 1901.

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NOTICES.

ROYAL BOMBAY YACHT CLUB.

THE HALF YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of Members will be held at the Club at 6 P.M. on WEDNESDAY, the 4th September, 1901.

A. M. FINLAY,
Secretary.

Bombay, 1st August, 1901.

I HAVE THIS DAY resumed CHARGE of my office. The POWER of ATTORNEY granted to Captain J. J. EFFORD is from THIS DATE CANCELLED.

J. B. MACFADYEN,
Surveyor to the British Corporation for the Survey and Rezistry of Shipping.

20, Hummum Street, 26th August, 1901.

ORIENT CLUB.

THE FIRST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of Members will be held at the Club House, on MONDAY, the 2nd September, 1901, at 6-0 P.M.

D. LINDSAY,
JEHANGIR D. FRAMJEE,
Joint Honorary Secretaries.

Bombay, 13th August, 1901.

NOTICE.

SEALED TENDERS for the SUPPLY by CONTRACT at BOMBAY of ARTICLES of PROVISIONS for the use of THE ROYAL INDIAN MARINE VESSELS for one year will be received by the DIRECTOR of the ROYAL INDIAN MARINE at his Office in the R.I.M. Dockyard, Bombay, up to 1 p.m. gun fire of MONDAY, the 2nd September, 1901, after which hour no Tender will be received.

For further particulars see "Bombay Government Gazette" of the 8th August, 1901, or apply to the Undersigned.

S. GOODRIDGE,
Director of the Royal Indian Marine.

R. I. M. Dockyard, Bombay, 2nd August, 1901.

NOTICE.

THE CONNAUGHT MILLS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that a DIVIDEND for the year ended 30th June, 1901, of Rs. 25 per Share on the Old Shares and Rs. 12-8-0 per Share on the New Shares, free of Income-tax, WILL BE PAID on application, on and after the 2nd September to Shareholders whose names are on the Company's Register on the 19th August.

GREAVES, COTTON & Co.,
Agents.

Bombay, 22nd August, 1901.

NOTICE.

THE LEOPOLD SPINNING, BLEACHING, AND MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that a DIVIDEND for the year ended 30th June, 1901, of Rs. 5 per Share, free of Income-tax, WILL BE PAID, on application, on and after the 2nd September, to Shareholders whose names are on the Company's Register on 19th August.

GREAVES, COTTON & CO.,
Secretaries, Managers, and Agents.

Bombay 22nd August, 1901.

NOTICE.

IT is hereby notified that the date FIXED for the AUCTION of the ABKARI CONTRACT of the Cantonments of SECUNDERABAD and BOLARUM for ten years, commencing from 1st of Azur 1312 to the end of Aban 1321 Fasli, is POSTPONED to SATURDAY, the 7th September, 1901 A.D.

All applicants willing to bid for the same are directed to be present in the Board of Revenue Office on the above date at 2 P.M.

GULAM RASOOL,
Secretary, Board of Revenue, H. H. the Nizam's Government.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION.

SUIT No. 705 OF 1899.

MERWANJEE MUNCHERJEE CAMA and HORMUSJEE MUNCHERJEE CAMA, both of Bombay Parsee inhabitants, the former residing at Pedder Road without the Fort of Bombay, and the latter at Napean Sea Road without the Fort of Bombay .....Plaintiffs,

Vs.

NOWROJEE NUSSERWANJEE THOONTHI also of Bombay Parsee inhabitant residing at Sisak Abdul Rehman Street without the Fort of Bombay .....Defendant.

PURSUANT to the Decree absolute made in the above Suit and bearing date the 14th day of June, 1901, the following immoveable property will be SOLD by PUBLIC AUCTION by the Commissioner of this Hon. Court at his Office, in the Court House, on WEDNESDAY, the 4th day of September, 1901, at the hour of three o'clock in the afternoon.

PARTICULARS.

All the estate, right, title and interest of the abovenamed Plaintiffs and the Defendant in the following property, viz.:—

All that piece of Batty ground situate at or near Kamatepura or the Cross Road leading to the Grant Road in the Island of Bombay and containing by admeasurement Thirty thousand square feet, be the same little more or less, and bounded on the North by the property formerly of Mr. Tanner but now by the property of Esse Fudia, on the South by the Foras Road, on the East by the property formerly of Nowrojee Soapujee Commeragar but now of the Napier Foundry, and on the West by the property formerly of Burjorjee Sorabjee Lyawalla but now by the property of Hajee Adam Seedick and which said premises are assessed by the Collector of Assessment under Nos. 43, and 45 and 1 to 4, and Ward No. 2968 to 2997 and 29-7, and by the Collector of Land Revenue under No. , and which premises are situate in the Sub-district of the Registrar of Bombay.

For further particulars and Conditions of Sale, application should be made at the Office of the said Commissioner or at the Office of Mr. KHARSHEDJEE D. SHROFF, Attorney for the Plaintiffs abovenamed, at No. 13, Horaby Road, Fort, Bombay.—Dated this 13th day of May, 1901.

A. K. OLIVER,
Commissioner.

BANK OF BOMBAY.

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Age next Birthday.	Monthly premium.	Age next Birthday.	Monthly premium.	Age next Birthday.	Monthly premium
	Rs. a. p.		Rs. a. p.		Rs. a. p.
25	11 8 0	25	15 7 0	25	13 13 0
30	13 12 0	30	18 6 0	30	16 0 0
35	16 8 0	35	22 12 0	35	19 1 0
40	16 1 0	40	30 1 0	40	23 10 0

Rates of other ages and under other systems will be supplied on application.

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Age next Birthday.	Yearly premium.	Age next Birthday.	Yearly premium.	Age next Birthday.	Yearly premium
	Rs. a. p.		Rs. a. p.		Rs. a. p.
25	143 1 0	25	197 8 0	25	198 7 0
30	156 6 0	30	200 8 0	30	223 10 0
35	172 11 0	35	224 10 0	35	260 0 0
40	195 9 0	40	242 15 0	40	324 15 0

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

LONDON, Aug. 30.

The Bombay Mails of 17th inst. arrived at Brindisi to-day.

2 3-4 per cent. Consols ..... £94 3-4 = + 5-16
3 per cent. Rentes ..... £101 3-4 = + 1-4
3½ per cent. Sterling Loan ..... £109 1-2 = —
3½ per cent. Govt. Securities... £94 3-8 = — 1-8
Bar Silver in London ..... 25 15-16 =
" New York ..... 58 5-8 =
Exchange on London at Paris, 25 29 = —1
" New York ..... 4 85 1-4 = —3-8
Discount, Bank of England, 3 per cent =
" Short London Bills 2 1-4 " =
" Indian Bank Bills 2 7-8 " = —1-8
Silver to Bombay, £120,000.
Gold to Bombay, £40,000.
Yellow Metal, 6 5-8.
Arrivals—Dido, Varzin.

Liverpool Cotton Market closed quiet. Surats quiet but steady. Manchester was steady. Moderate enquiry; firmness of producers curtails business. Total sales, 5,000 bales. Sold on speculation for export, 500 bales. Surats 50 bales. Imports nil. Spot 5 3-32 plus 3-32. Arrivals closed steady.

Liverpool Futures—				
Aug.	Aug-Sep.	Nov-Dec.	Feb-Mar.	May
4 58	4 58	4 33	4 29	4
+1	+2	+2	+2	+

In New York—

Receipts at the Port	11,000
Exports to Great Britain	1,000
Do. to Continent	2,000
Mid-Uplands	8 5
Futures, month of Sept.	7
Do. do. Dec	8 Hamburg

Rapeseed Brown, 39 3-4, Aug-Sep. Business done, tone quiet. ¢, Antwerp
Linseed, 51 1-4, April-May, Dunkirk Sellers, tone quiet.

LIVERPOOL WEEKLY CO REPORT.

	Bales.
Total week's sales	45,000
" Sold on spec.	1,000
" for exportation ers	2,000
" Amount forwarded to c	35,000
" Actual exports	5,000
" Week's imports	11,000
" Stock	396,000
Surats week's sales	1,200
" Sold on spec.	Nil
" " for exportatis consumers...	400
" Amount forwar	800
" Actual exports	500
" Week's import	Nil
" Stock	25,000
Afloat American	20,000
" Indian	2,000
Week's receipts o	52,000
" Exports then	7,000
" " C. S. Ports	11,000
Stock of Cotton	240,000
Do. at	130,000

Arrivals of Cotton, Wheat and Seeds into Bombay, during the 24 hours ending at 6 p.m., on Friday, 30th August.

Cotton	1,512 bales.
Wheat	3,357 cwts.
Linseed	2,714 "
Rapeseed	8,441 "
Gingelly seed	844 "
Poppy seed	1,223 "
Groundnuts	13 "
Cotton seed	3,450 "
Cake	27,529 "
Myrabollams	954 "

Imports of Bullion, ex s. s. Arabia, from London. Silver, Rs. 28,72,571.

BOMBAY, SATURDAY, Aug. 31.

EXCHANGE.

We have no change to report in this market. Some of the Banks are giving 1s. 4d. for Demand ready and near delivery, and all Banks are quoting 1s. 4 5-32d. for three months sight credits. We quote :—

Bank T. T.	1s. 3 31-32d.
Do. Demand	1s. 3 31-32 to 1s. 4d.
3 months' sight credits	1s. 4 5-32d.
Do. France	199 3-4
30 days' sight, Hongkong	143 1-2
Do. Shanghai	195
Do. Japan	149

GOVERNMENT PAPER.

There is a steadier tone in the market to-day, now the settlement is over. We opened at 96-11 for cash and 96-12 for 30th September, and closed at 96-12 and 96-13 respectively.

FREIGHT.

The market is quiet, with sellers for open ports at 14s. 6d. September to February shipment, with no business reported. A small line has been booked by native shippers at 15s. March to May.

SEEDS.

The tone remains quiet, with a very small business reported. Linseed is quiet at Rs. 10-11 for ready and Rs. 8-11 to 8-12 April-May. Rapeseed is also very quiet at Rs. 6-11 to 6-13 for Brown Cawnpore and Delhi ready, and with no enquiry for new crops. Poppyseed seed quiet at Rs. 9-1 ready and with sellers at 8 4 and buyers at 8-3 for April-May. Castorseed is quiet at Rs. 33-12 ready.

COTTON.

The tone of the market is firm, but with a small business reported. Exporters for Japan and China are enquiring, and Mills are making small purchases. Prices are unchanged. In new crops we hear of no transactions.

LONDON, Aug. 31.

2 3-4 per cent Consols	£94 3-4 = unchanged.
3 per cent Rentes	£101 3-4 = "
3 1-2 per cent. Sterling Loan	£109 1-2 = "
3 1-2 per cent. Govt. Securities	£94 5-16 = 1-16 "
Bar Silver in London	25 15-16 = unchd.
Do. New York	closed.
Exchange on London at Paris	25 20 = "
" New York	closed
Discount Bank of England	3 per cent.
Do. Short London Bills	2 1-4 "
Do. Indian Bank Bills	2 1-8 "
Silver to Calcutta	£110,300.
Gold Gol	£40,000.

Rapeseed, Brown, 43 Aug.-Sep. Hamburg. Business done, tone steady.

Liverpool Cotton Market closed quiet. Surats steady, Manchester was quiet. Total 3,000 bales. Sold on speculation and for Export 300 Surates 300 bales. Imports 1,000 bales. Spot 5d.—3-32. Arrivals closed quiet.

New York—Closed until Tuesday.

Liverpool Futures.

Nov-Dec.	Feb-Mar.	May-June.
4 29	4 25	4 21
—4	—4	—4

	Bales.
Total visible supply	1,180,000
" of which is East Indian	102,000
" stock in London	8,000
" quantity in sight	10,320,000
Actual stock of cotton	305,509

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed quiet.
Surats quiet but steady.
Good Brownrogger 3 21-32.
The Manchester market has been steady, moderate enquiry, firmness of producers curtails business.

2½ per cent. Consols	94 3-4
3 per cent. Rentes	101 3-4
3½ per cent. Sterling Loan	109 1-2
3½ per cent. Rupee Paper	94 3-8
Bar Silver	26 15-16

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

ADEN, Aug. 30.

The B. I. S. N. Co.'s steamer Manora left to-day
The B. I. S. N. Co.'s steamer Golconda left to-day

COLOMBO, Aug. 31.

The s. s. Palawan arrived here from Bombay this morning.

HONGKONG, Aug. 31.

The P. & O. Company s. s. Massba left here for Bombay this afternoon.

The Florio and Rubattino Company's s.s. R. Rubattino, Captain M. Saporito, left Aden for Bombay on the 31st instant, at 10 a.m., and isexpected to arrive in Bombay on the 5th September evening.

MR. MEEK, Commissioner of Derajat, will, it is understood, remain in charge of the Mahsud blockade arrangements if the tribe have not made their submission when the new frontier province is started. He will, in short, see the business through, a very suitable arrangement.

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COLLEGE LITERARY SOCIETY—On Saturday Professor J N. Fraser delivered a on "Liberalism," before the members of the College Literary Society in the lecture-room College. The actinz Principal of the Col-Rev. R. Scott, presided. The lecture room crowded with students, besides whom there present some European and native ladies. lecturer dwelt at length mostly on history traced from it the origin of liberalism.

THE B. S. P. C. A.—During the month of July last 4 bullocks were sent to the Pinjrapole as being unfit for work, at the instance of the agents of the Bombay Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, with the permission of the Presidency Magistrates and with the consent of the owners; while 6 horses, 2 he buffaloes and 94 bullocks were sent to the Bai Sakarbai Dinsha Petit Hospital for Animals at Parel for curative treatment during the last month. 373 offenders were fined for cruelty to their animals, 14 cartmen were fined for overloading their carts and 19 offenders were warned and discharged by the Magistrates.

AKBAR MANUFACTURING AND PRESS COMPANY, LIMITED.—At an extraordinary general meeting of the shareholders of the above company, held on Saturday afternoon, at Carnac Bridge Road, Elphinstone Estate, and presided over by Mr. Damodhar Gordhandas Sukhadwalla, the special resolutions passed at the meeting held on the 15th August last, reducing the capital of the company from Rs. 2,50,000 to Rs. 2,00,000, making necessary alterations and additions in the Company's Articles of Association and empowering the board of directors to apply to the Court and to do all necessary acts and things, for the purpose of carrying into effect the above resolutions, were confirmed. A vote of thanks to the Chairman terminated the proceedings.

GHASTLY DISCOVERY.—Mr. P. Byrne, the Coroner, resumed the ajourned inquiry, yesterday morning, at the morgue, regarding the discovery of a wooden box, containing a human body, which had been found buried in a heap of chunam, stored in a room on the ground floor of a house in Bhisti Mohalla, Jackeria Mujid Road. The room was last in the occupation of two Mahomedans, who stored the chunam therein. They left the place about a fortnight previous to the discovery of the box, selling the quantity of the lime to the landlady for a nominal amount. The landlady subsequently disposed of the lime to a mistry and while the latter's men were removing it from the room, they came upon the box. The matter has since been under investigation, but no clue to the two Mahomedans has yet been obtained. Dr. Arthur Powell, Coroner's Surgeon, who had examined the body, gave evidence. The skin was brown. From this and the colour and texture of the hair, he could tell pretty clearly, that the body was that of an Asiatic and not a European. The inquiry was further adjourned to the 29th instant.

WANTONLY CUTTING A CHILD WIFE'S NOSE.

At the High Court, Appellate Side, on Wednesday, the Hon. Mr. Justice Candy and the Hon. Mr. Justice Crowe were engaged in hearing an appeal in the case of Imperator against Hushen Walad Manik. Accused was, on the 1st instant, convicted by Mr. S Pudumjee, Additional Sessions Judge of Bijapur, of voluntarily causing grievous hurt to his wife with a penknife, and was sentenced to five years' rigorous imprisonment and from that decision he appealed to the High Court.

It appeared from Mr. Pudumjee's finding that the accused, on the night of the 4th May last, cut his wife's nose with a penknife. Mr. Pudumjee said he had tried many a case of this sort, but never one so revolting and brutal. In all other cases the husband had something to say in the way of the wife's faithlessness, etc., but here the wife was a mere girl of 13 years, quite innocent of worldly ways, and not yet matured. In spite of these facts, said the Sessions Judge, the accused had disfigured her for the rest of her life, and that too before she had begun life yet. Accused made a confession before the second class magistrate in which he asserted that he saw her misbehaving with a paramour, who ran away, and so in a fit of anger he cut her nose with a knife. He retracted that confession in the committing magistrate's court, and said he caught her with a paramour, so he kicked her; and she fell on a scythe and the nose was accidentally cut. In the Session Court, he told a third story, but absolved the child wife of all faithlessness. He asserted they two were sleeping when four unknown persons came, two caught hold of him; and two, carrying the wife inside, cut her nose, while the other two tried to cut his; but the wife's cries made the four run away. He said he went to complain to the patel but he would not listen, so he sent the wife to her parents, who complained to the patel, and the latter out of spite arrested accused and charged him. In the opinion of the Sessions Judge, this story was impossible. It was not likely that the accused's mother, sister, and brother, who were in the house, should not know anything of the occurrence. The evidence against the accused was quite conclusive. Peerma the accused's sister, said before the magistrate that the accused came out of the room crying, and on being questioned, said he did it in a fit of anger; and he subsequently produced the knife, which was hidden in a heap of tamarind. The girl was soon as she was so brutally treated, went to her parents living opposite; and her father immediately went to complain to the patel. Infidelity on the part of the girl, said the Sessions Judge, was quite out of the question. Accused was convicted and sentenced to rigorous imprisonment for five years.

Their lordships, on looking at all the circumstances, dismissed the appeal.

THE CITY MORTALITY.

THE Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours ending at 6 a.m., on Saturday, give the following results :—

Wards.	Plague, Attacks.	Deaths.	Deaths from all Causes.
A Upper, Middle & Lower Colaba, Fort Northern, Fort Southern and Esplanade	3	2	3
B Mandvi, Chuckla, Umarkhadi and Dongri	11	13	33
C Market, Dhobi Talao, Fanaswadi, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao and Kumbharwada	8	8	25
D Khetwady, Girgaum, Chowpaty, Walkeshwar and Mahalaxmi	2		8
E Mazagon, Tarwadi, 2nd Nagpada, Kamalipura, Tardeo, Byculla and 1st Nagpada	0	7	37
F Parel, Sewri and Sion	3	2	5
G Mahim and Worli	1	1	9
Water Division	0	0	0
Non-Resident and Unknown	0	0	0
Hospitals	0		13
Total	28	43	133
Same date last year	8	9	184

THE Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours ending at 6 a.m., yesterday, give the following results :—

Wards.	Plague, Attacks.	Deaths.	Deaths from all Causes.
A Upper Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Northern, Fort Southern and Esplanade	0	1	4
B Mandvi, Chukla, Umarkhadi and Dongri	3	10	31
C Market, Dhobi Talao, Fanaswadi, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao and Kumbharwada	22	5	20
D Khetwadi, Girgaum, Chowpatty, Walkeshwar and Mahalaxmi	2	1	6
E Mazagon, Tarwadi, 2nd Nagpada, Kamalipura, Tardeo, Byculla and 1st Nagpada	0	7	33
F Parel, Sewree and Sion	0	2	10
G Mahim and Worlee	2	2	9
Water Division	0	0	0
Non-resident and unknown	0	0	0
Hospitals	0	3	16
Total	29	31	132
Total plague deaths to date	97,718	81,847	
Same date last year	14	11	164

POONA THIRD EXTRA MEETING.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4.
ADMISSION.

First Enclosure.

Day Ticket—(Including admission one Lady) Rs. 5.
Ladies only Rs. 2.
Special trains will run as usual.

CECIL GRAY,
Secretary, W. I. T. C.

Poona, 29th August, 1901.

AN ABKARI PROSECUTION.

ALLEGED SUBSTITUTION OF BOTTLES.

At the Esplanade Police Court, on Saturday afternoon, Mr. Kursondas Chhabildas, acting Third Presidency Magistrate, further investigated the case in which Mrs. Cristilina Athaides, wife of Mr. D. C. Athaides, Superintendent of Greaves, Cotton and Company's Mills, is charged by Mr. C. J. Clarke, Assistant Collector of Abkari, with importing into Bombay eight bottles of Goa liquor, in contravention of the Abkari Act. Mr. E. F. Nicholson, Government Solicitor, appeared to prosecute and the Hon. Mr. P. M. Mehta, with Mr. Jardine, instructed by Mr. Hugh Sealy, pleader, defended the accused. The defendant arrived in Bombay from Goa, on the 13th March last and landed at the Mody Bunder. A Preventive Officer on duty detained a box, which it was alleged belonged to her. The box was opened when it was discovered that it had a false bottom, which on being searched, was found to contain eight bottles of country liquor. The defence was that the box did not belong to the defendant. Moreover at a subsequent stage of the proceedings, when the bottles were closely examined, it was ascertained that the colour of their contents appeared much like Holland (gin) and not that of country liquor. Mr. Clarke, the officer in charge of the case then alleged that the box containing the bottles, which had been left in the custody of the Court, did not bear his own signet seal; that his seal had been tampered with and the court's seal remained intact.

When the case was called on for further hearing on Saturday, Francis E. De Souza, a witness for the defence was cross-examined by Mr. Nicholson. Witness said his wife lived at Marmagoa and often wrote letters to him in Bombay. She got her letters written by others. He knew how to write Marathi and he wrote all his letters to his wife in that language. He received a letter from his wife four days before the 13th April last. On the 14th August last, after the witness had left the Court, he was met by a Parsi gentleman outside the court premises. The Parsi walked with him as far as Dhobi Talao and during the conversation told him that he (witness) would be sent to jail for two years on account of the case and advised him therefore not to remain in Bombay. Witness thereupon left for Marmagoa on the same day. That was the first time witness saw the Parsi and did not see him again, nor did he ask him his name.

Mr. Nicholson: Why did you come back to Bombay then?—Because I had no money and to recover Rs. 22 which one Mahomed owes me. I intended to go back to Marmagoa after recovering my money. I returned to Bombay on the 24th August, but I have not seen Mahomed yet. On my return to Bombay I went to an Irani's shop, where Mr. Athaides' servant, Dhondiba happened to see me. I then went to my house, where I found two sepoys.

Mr. Nicholson: What were the sepoys doing at your house?

The witness: They were watching my movements. They were not policemen but they looked like Hindus. As Dhondiba was watching my movements in order that I might not leave Bombay, I thought those two men were sepoys doing the same. I thought Dhondiba was watching my movements because when I met him at the Irane's shop he asked me why I was not present in court on the 21st August, when the case was called on for hearing and when my presence was necessary. Besides Dhondiba used to stand at the corner of the street or in some shop at some distance from my house to watch my movements.

Mr. Nicholson: Did Dhondiba tell you to stick to your evidence?—No, he did not say so. We both came together in court to-day.

Mr. Nicholson: Did you inform Dhondiba as to what that Parsi told you about sending you to jail for two years?—Yes, I told him that, when I met him in the Irane's shop on my return from Marmagoa. Dhondiba did not say that he knew the Parsi.

Continuing witness said he earned from Rs. 24 to Rs. 40 a month, and when he took job work, he could earn more. His wife worked as an ayah. She had never drunk country liquor. Witness drank gin, other kinds of liquor did not agree with him. Gin could be had in Bombay, but when she got a present of it from her master, she sent it here. Rich people generally give their ayahs gin, vinegar and other articles, as presents, in Marmagoa.

At this stage the box containing the bottles was being opened by order of the Court, when Mr. Mehta remarked: "Let Mr. Clarke see that the box is properly sealed." The bottles were removed from the box and the examination of their contents commenced.

The Magistrate: Have you had any experience of "Bora"?

Mr. Menta: I am afraid, I have not. Taking one of the bottles, which had been opened, he remarked that it smelt very much like Holland.

The witness was given a bottle to depose as to its contents, but being unable to say for some minutes, Mr. Nicholson asked whether he would require a glass. Witness eventually replied that it contained vinegar.

Mr. Nicholson: Did you ever get bottles like these from your wife?—Yes.

At the suggestion of Mr. Mehta, the Magistrate took a note that the bottles, before they were opened, were sealed over the corks with a sticky substance like dammar and pieces of cloth tied over them.

Another bottle was handed to the witness, who said "I believe it contains vinegar; I cannot smell; I have got strong cold and my power of smelling is not in working order" (laughter). Three other bottles were found to contain gin and one rest vinegar.

Witness continued: He never received before such liquor from his wife and he was surprised when he got it. His wife was not in Bombay now. They made much use of vinegar in dish, which was their principal food. He had used country vinegar. He did not know what the vinegar was made of. He is a Shaeb who examined the box at Mody Bunder. It was his own box, not Mrs. Athaede's. He opened it and not Mrs. Athaedes. He had never seen the box before. He knew that it had a false bottom, because when he opened it, he put his hand on it and found it to be so. Mr. Cassels, a Preventive Officer, examined the box. Witness did not inform him that the box belonged to him, because he never asked him about it.

At this stage Mr. Mehta drew the attention of the Court to the fact that a Parsi, who was identified to be Bumonji Ardeshir Parekh, a witness for the prosecution, was present in Court, standing behind Mr. Clarke, while the witness was being cross-examined about his conversation with the Parsi on the 14th August and that immediately Mr. Jardine looked in that direction, he left.

The Magistrate took a note of the above incident.

Mr. Nicholson said the Parsi left the Court because he desired all witnesses to go out and he asked the Magistrate to take a note to that effect.

Re-examined by Mr. Mehta, witness said: The Parsi who threatened him with jail, was the man now shown to him. His name was Bumonji Ardeshir Parekh. The bottle No. 1 contained gin not vinegar and No. 6 vinegar.

Examined by the Court: His wife had written a letter to say that she had sent down to Bombay these bottles. That letter was lost. It was kept in the pocket of a coat, which was given to the washerman. His wife knew that he had been addicted to gin.

Mr. Mehta: Mr. Nicholson will now admit that four bottles are gin and four vinegar.

Mr. Nicholson: I am not an expert.

The Magistrate remarked that it was a misfortune that Mr. Clarke did not put these bottles separately and suosequently made allegations against the Court.

Mr. Nicholson said he would call evidence, which would be confined to the point as to the contents of the bottles when they came into the Court. He called Mr. Henry Cassels.

Mr. Mehta said that Mr. Clarke should either be examined first or that he should go out of the court.

As Mr. Nicholson chose to examine Mr. Cassels first, Mr. Clarke left the Court.

Mr. Cassels in his evidence said the box in question was examined by him in the presence of the accused. The box had a false bottom, which he found to contain eight bottles, wrapped up in cloth. He examined the bottles with Mr. McGuire. The accused was not present then. The labels on the bottles had something like a yellow horse. Bottles Nos. 1, 4, 5 and 6 had now labels similar to those he had seen on them at Mody Bander. The corks on the bottles had a substance which was very dark brown and sticky. He did not remember if there was a bottle with the label of Crosse and Blackwell Vinegar. None of the bottles were then open. The colour of the contents of the bottles was then very light yellow. It was not like the colour of the contents of the bottles now produced in Court. The colour then looked like scraps of cocoanuts or some kind of skin. When he examined the bottles, they contained "Kajoo" liquor from Goa. The bottles were put into the box again. He took the box in a victoria to the Town Customs House and handed it over to Mr. Rubin, the officer in charge of the detained goods. The box was not locked. On the 17th April witness saw the box again, when the bottles were taken out and examined by Mr. McCartie.

The further hearing was adjourned till Wednesday, the 4th September.

THE next sitting of the Mahomedon Anglo-Oriental Educational Conference will be held at Madras during the coming cold weather.

THE Nawab of Bahawalpur has given a donation of Rs. 10,000 towards the Curzon Hospital to be erected in the Mahomedan Anglo-Oriental College at Aligarh.

IT is, we understand, practically certain that Sir Antony MacDonnell will be appointed to the India Council after vacating the Lieutenant-Governorship of the N. W. P. Provinces and Oudh.

THE NATIVE PRESS.

THE LAND REVENUE BILL.

THE ACTION OF NON-OFFICIAL MEMBERS.

THE vernacular newspapers are filled with comments on the passing of the Land Revenue Bill in the Bombay Legislative Council, and the action of the non-official members.

The "Rast Goftar" says:—"The Land Revenue Bill has been read a third time in the Legislative Council and passed into law. It is now only awaiting the sanction of the Government of India, which in all human probability will be given by them. Now the second question for consideration is, how did these leaders behave at the Council? Led by the Hon. Mr. Mehta, these gentlemen threw down the gauntlet one after the other and challenged Government to carry out the measure. They held out a distinct threat that if Government would throw out Mr. Mehta's motion for the postponement of the Bill they would turn their backs upon the Council and leave that body in disgust. And they carried out their threat to the very letter. And with what effect? The whole of the Anglo-Indians and educated and thinking portion of the native community have risen in arms upon them. They all feel that they have by their conduct not only shown disrespect to the Government sitting in session, but to the whole of the loyal and law-abiding population of this Presidency. Nay, they even go so far as to assert that they have given a serious blow to the cause of the poor ryots and to local self-government. Newspapers which in the heat of the moment applauded the action of the dissentients, soon changed their minds under the pressure of advanced educated public opinion, which is decidedly opposed to the farce which was enacted in a cool, collected and deliberate manner. It is now an open secret that the scene in the drama was pre-conceived and rehearsed before it was enacted within the precincts of the Hall. It was a pity that none of the representatives of the press carried a kodak with them to take a snap-shot of the five famous gentlemen reclring from the Hall. We are constrained to say that by the course these five famous gentlemen have pursued they have covered not only themselves but the whole of the native community with shame. We dare say they are now sorry for it.

The "Voice of India" observes:—The proceedings of the last meeting of the Legislative Council could not but have been trying to the powers of endurance of honourable members, official and non-official. The President, accustomed to all-night sittings in the House of Commons, might have borne with comparative ease the eighteen or twenty hours' incessant eloquence to which he was subjected. His Excellency might also have been reminded of old associations when, after this heavy bombardment of words, five honourable members capped their protests with a physical movement from the scene of discussion. The Budget debate ended, the debate on the Land Revenue Amendment Bill began. The speeches which, on the whole, were far above the average of Legislative Council speeches in matter, manner and interest, have covered numerous columns of small type in the daily papers, and we cannot profess to have studied them all with any considerable amount of concentration. The non-official members fought a very good fight, and, in our opinion, they were quite successful in making out a strong case for the postponement and inquiry asked for by the amendment proposed by Mr. Mehta. We have all along taken, in these columns, a not unsympathetic view of the Land Revenue Amendment Bill. We are nevertheless bound to say that, if the objects of Government have, to any extent, been curtailed or defeated, it is as much because of the want of tact displayed by them as of the uncompromising opposition of the non-official political leaders. We wish these latter had also been more considerable in their opposition,—though they laboured under no light provocation; for they must themselves feel that by declining to look at the Bill they have thrown away their opportunities of improving it. They have disavowed responsibility for the measure; but it is not a very difficult or heroic thing to disavow responsibility. Guided by one more or less sentimental objection to the proposal to take away the right of alienating waste lands from the ryots, the non-official members have either failed to perceive or omitted to effectively expose the very real evils which short of uncertain tenures must bring in their train. Without this latter feature the Bill would have been practically a useful experiment. This is the view we have taken of it from the first, and we are confirmed in it from what fell from both official and non-official members in the debate on the Bill. The interference with the tenure, in our opinion, constitutes a violation of the recognised policy of the Government of India for a long time and the spirit of the recommendations of the last Famine Commission.

The "Kaiser-i-Hind" writes: On Saturday week was enacted in the capital of the Deccan a legal tragedy the like of which has never been known to have been committed in the entire annals of British Administration in this Presidency. It is to be devoutly hoped that it may be the first and last of the kind that has been perpetrated. On that eventful day the Government of Bombay literally strangled the ryotwari tenure of land in this Presidency while simultaneously giving birth to a illegal abortion which has been christened State Landlordism. That tenure, solemnly sanctified by the custom and usage of centuries, approved by a generation of far-sighted liberal statesmen of the past, and ratified by a line of able administrators subsequently—that tenure has been extinguished by a stroke of the pen! The Land Revenue Code Amendment Bill has passed the local Legislative Council. But it has been passed only with the votes of the official majority and at the bidding of one man. Three non-official out 'nominated' members alone voted with that majority. And with regard to one of them it might be useful to remember, we mean the non'ble Mr. Vinchoorkar, that he was only appointed a "few hours" before in the place of the non'ble Mr Bomanji Dinshaw Petit, whose term of office had expired.

The "Gujerati" discourses:—A more reasonable and a more fair-minded proposal than that emoodied in the Hon. Mr. Mehta's amendment it is impossible to conceive. It was meant not for rejection of the Bill but for enabling Government and the public to garner essential facts and information which were entirely wanting. No official who were not conscious of their absolute power and authority to carry any measure they pleased would have opposed this amendment. No officials who were not conceited enough to believe in their own infallibility and intolerant enough to shut out all patient and dispassionate inquiry into questions of the gravest importance would have ventured to reject that amendment by the mere force of a mechanical and automatic majority. But that is what has happened. The honours of debate, however, really belong to the native councillors who opposed the Bill and the Hon. Mr. Moses who supported them. Reason and arguments were on their side, whilst the advantage of numerical votes alone was on the side of the upholders of the measure. The moral triumph was with the former, whilst purely technical legislative success rested with the latter. One has only to read the speeches of official and officialised members and those of non official councillors to be convinced of the truth of these observations. What wonder that the Hon. Mr. P. M. Mehta, Sir Bhalchandra Krishna, Prof. Gokhale, the Hon. Mr. Goculdas and the Hon. Mr. Knare did not like to sit there with folded hands and gaze on helplessly only to complete their humiliation.

The "Indu Prakasn" states:—Enough has been said, we should think, to convince every unbiassed mind that if the step taken by Messrs. Mehta and others in seceding from the Council was an extraordinary one, the occasion itself was extraordinary and squeezing more was necessary than the usual role of speaking out and sitting sheepishe to be charged with ignorance or miscontvousness or both and to be outvoted by the assured majority of the pastors and their faithful flock, like retired and present Deputy Collectors and Jagirdars under the thum, of the type of Messrs. Chunilal Venilal, Achutrao Desai and Vincharkar.

The "Rast Goftar," speaking of a movement to memorialise the Government of India to veto the Bill, advises the members of the Bombay Presidency Association as follows: It is said that a movement is being made to memorialise the Government of India to veto the Land Revenue Bill which was passed by a thumping majority of the Legislative Council. We hope that at least the Presidency Association will not move in the matter, for, if they do, the leaders of that body, who behaved in a singular manner in the Council Hall, would lay themselves open to a heavy rebuff at the hands of that Government. It is believed that the Bombay Government had consulted with and obtained the views of both the Government of India and the Secretary of State, the latter having already expressed himself in favour of the Bill in Parliament. It would not harm anybody if a respectful representation was sent to the Government of India, but care should be taken that the agitation was confined within legitimate bounds. If another meeting was called and the same farce which was enacted the other day at the Town Hall was repeated, we feel sure that the rebuff will be of a character from the effects of which it will be long before the agitators recover. We warn the educated portion of the public from being the tools of interested persons who having once been defeated in their efforts, will probably launch deeply into the game.

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The following is the programme of sports to be held in Bombay during the week, 28th Oct. to 2nd Nov., in the 11th Annual Athletic and Sporting Meeting and 22nd Annual Athletic Sports:—

PROGRAMME.

The following is the programme of the various sports and competitions that will take place but is subject to any alteration the Stewards may think it necessary to make:—

I.—Athletic sports—28th and 29th October.

1 100 yards Flat Race, Challenge Cup.
2 1-4 mile Flat Race, Challenge Cup.
3 120 yards Hurdle race.
4 1-2 mile Flat Race
5 High Jump. } Will not be held unless 4 bona
6 Long Jump. } fide entries.
7 Throwing Cricket Ball. } Will not be held unless
8 Putting the Shot. } 6 bona fide entries
9 120 yards Veterans' Handicap, Members only
10 150 yards Handicap Members only
11 220 yards Flat Race, Handicap Members only
12 1-2 mile Steeplechase, Rugby Football-playing Members.
13 1 mile Bicycle Handicap, open to Members and Honorary Members.
14 100 yards Flat Race }
15 1-4 mile Flat Race } Open to All Comers
16 1-2 mile Flat Race }
17 1 mile Bicycle Race }
18 3 mile " } Open to All Amateurs
19 5 mile " }
20 1-2 mile Steeplechase, Native Soldiers
21 100 yards Flat Race, School boys under 14 years
22 Sack Race, School boys under 14 years
23 200 yards Flat Race, School boys 14 years of age and over.
24 Tug of War A-B
25 200 yards Flat Race open to Native Soldiers.
26 1 2 mile Flat Race } Open to British soldiers and
27 1-2 mile Steeplechase } Sailors

CHALLENGE CUPS AND PRIZES.

Prizes will be given in each event as follows:—First Prize if 3 or more bona fide Starters; Second Prize, if 5 or more bona fide starters; and Third Prize, if 7 or more bona fide Starters.

In addition to the Prizes the following Challenge Cups are offered for competition:—

For event No. 1—Gymkhana 100 yards Challenge Cup—Present Holder, Mr. E. O'Brien, I. S. C.

For event No. 2—Gymkhana 1-4 Mile Challenge Cup—Present Holder, Mr. C. E. Hollins, The Lincolnshire Regt.

For event No. 12—The Buffs' Challenge Cup—Presented by the Officers of the East Kent Regiment.—Present Holder, Mr. J. Ferrier.

The "Young" Cup—(Open to Members only and must not be taken out of India.) This Cup is presented to the winner of the greatest number of marks according to the following scale, and is held by him until the Annual Meeting of 1902:—

Events Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, and 12—10 First. 5 Second. 3 Third.
Do. 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11 & 13—8 " 4 " 2 "

No marks will be given for second unless 5 or more start, and for third unless 7 or more start; 2 marks extra will be given to any winning boats or equals the following standards:—

100 yards, 10 2-5 seconds, Quarter mile, 55 seconds. Hurdles, 18 seconds, High Jump, 5 feet 5 inches. Long Jump, 20 feet. Putting the shot, 33 feet. Throwing the Cricket Ball, 100 yards. Half-mile race, 2 minutes 5 seconds. The Young Cup is at present held by Mr E O'Brien, I. S. C. The Challenge Cups will be withheld unless there are 3 bona fide starters.

ENTRIES AND ENTRANCE FEES.

Entrance fees will be payable as follows:—Rs 3 per event for Events Nos 1 to 19, inclusive. Re 1 per event for events Nos 26 and 27 Rs. 8 per team for Event No 24 A & B. Entrance free for Events Nos 10, 21, 22, 23, and 25.

Events Nos 1 to 8 and 13 are open to Members and Honorary Members of the Bombay Gymkhana only, and Officers of the Navy and Army and Gentlemen up-country who are desirous of entering for these events, but who are not Members of the Bombay Gymkhana, are requested to communicate with the Joint Honorary Secretaries with a view to their being made Honorary Members.

Events Nos 9 to 11, inclusive, are open to Members of the Bombay Gymkhana only. To qualify for the Veterans Race Members must have resided not less than 10 years in the East.

Event No 12 is open to Rugby Football playing Members of the Bombay Gymkhana, only who have been playing during the past season.

Events Nos 14 to 16 are open to All Comers, and the prizes in these events will be—First, value Rs 150; Second, value Rs 30; Third, value Rs 10.

Events Nos 17, 18 and 19 are open to All Amateurs according to the rules of the Bombay Cyclists' Union. First Prize, value Rs 60; Second Prize, value Rs 30, and Third Prize, value Rs 10, for each event.

Events Nos 10 and 25 are open to Native Soldiers only, who must be entered by an Officer.

Events Nos 21 to 23 are open to Representatives from Schools belonging to the B H S A A not more than 2 boys for each race from any one School.

Events Nos 26 and 27 are open to British Soldiers and Sailors, and the prizes in these events will be Rs 60, First Rs 30, Second; and Rs 15, Third.

Event No 24 A is open to teams of eight from all Clubs, The Royal Navy, Regiments, or Royal Artillery Batteries. Two Batteries from one Station may combine to send teams.

Event No 24B is open to teams of eight from all Native Regiments and Lascars employed in the Royal Navy and the Royal Indian Marine.

Entries accompanied by entrance money, and a statement of colours to be worn and other particulars must be sent to the Joint Honorary Secretaries not later than Saturday, the 19th October, 1901.

The Amateur Athletic Association Rules for Competitions will be observed.

The Rules of the Bombay Cyclists' Union will be observed in the open bicycle Races.

Entry Forms can be had on application to the Joint Honorary Secretaries.

N.B.—Entry Forms are necessary for the Bicycle Events only.

II.—MOUNTED SPORTS—30TH AND 31ST OCTOBER, AND EXTRA DAY ON 2ND NOVEMBER.

No. 1.—Tent-Pegging—Individual—a Horse, b Ponies.
No. 2.—Tent-Pegging—By Sections of Four—Two runs a in Line b Echelon. Points will be given for style and dressing.
No. 2A.—Same as No. 2.—Open to Native Cavalry and the Bombay Mounted Police only—Entrance Free.
No. 3.—"The Hog-Hunters Stakes."
No. 4.—Jumping Competition for Ponies 14-2 and under.
No. 5.—Jumping Competition for Horses.
No. 6.—Horse Scurry Cup valued at Rs. 49. For all Horses and Ponies that have never won a race of any description of the declared value of Rs. 50 or over. Horses—Catch-weights over 12 stone Ponies 14-2 and under, Catch-we

NOTICE.

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THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the MEMBERS of the SOCIETY will be held in the Upper Hall of the Institute Building on TUESDAY the 10th September, 1901, at 5-45 P.M.

A full attendance is requested.

R. A. ARNOLD JENKINS,
Honorary Secretary.

Bombay, 31st August, 1901.

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BOMBAY COMMAND ORDERS.

BY THE LIEUTENANT-GENERAL COMMANDING THE FORCES, BOMBAY.

Head Quarters, Poona, 30th August 1901.

It is notified that the "London Gazettes" of the 2nd and 6th Aug 1901 were received at the Head-quarters of the Bombay Command on the 29th inst.

With reference to G O C C No. 639 of 1901, Brevet Col G F Francis, O.fg Asst Adjt-Genl, is posted to the Poona Dist.

With the approval of H E the Commander-in-chief in India, the Lieut-Genl Commanding the Forces is pleased to make the following appointments:—

7th Bombay Pioneers—Major P J H Aplin, 2nd in Command to officiate as Comdt, vice Major (Temporary Lieut-Col) W St L Crease, V C, proceeded on leave. Major G A Brownrigg, 2nd Double Company Commander pro tem, to officiate as 2nd in Command vice Major Aplin.

The Lieut-Genl Commanding the Forces is pleased to make the following appointments:—

Bombay Sappers and Miners—Lieut G R Pridham, R E, Company Officer, to be Co pany Commander, vice Lieut C W R Singer, reverted to the Home Establ, dated 6th April 1901.

17th Bombay Infy—Lieut L T R Hutchinson, I M S, to the medical charge, pro tem vice Capt W S P Ricketts, I M S, on Field Service.

The admission of Staff pay is authorized to the undermentioned Officers whose services have been temporarily placed at the disposal of the Supply and Transport Corps, under the provisions of paragraph 40 of the Field Service Departmental Code, Commissariat-Transport:—Lieut J B Riddell, 32nd Battery, Royal Field Artillery; and Lieut A C Gunter, No. 26 Company, Eastern Divn, Royal Garrison Artillery.

Under instructions received from the War Office, it is intimated that the undermentioned Officers have, on first appointment, been posted as specified:—Second Lieuts K E Mifford, 1st Battery and L A Riddle, 32nd Battery, Royal Field Artillery.

Under instructions from Army Head-Quarters, India, Capt H Schofield, 2nd Batln, Welsh Regt, is directed to proceed to England as early as possible, to take up the appointment of Adjutant, Glamorgan Rifle Corps, for which he has been selected; travelling at the expense of Imperial Funds.

Under instructions from the War Office, Lieut W R Congleham, 2nd Batln, Welsh Regt, is directed to proceed to England, as soon as possible, to join the Army Service Corps at Aldershot on probation; travelling at the expense of Imperial Funds.

It is notified that the Government of India have sanctioned the issue of 5,940 rounds of blank 303 ammunition, instead of a similar amount of Martini-Henry blank ammunition, to all Corps to which 303 arms have been supplied for instructional purposes.

The War Office has brought to notice that considerable inconvenience has been caused on the arrival home of Non-Commissioned Officers, Royal Garrison Artillery, on furlough from India, owing to the failure of their Commanding Officers to comply with the provisions of paragraph 1939, King's Regulations.

The particular attention of Officers, Commanding units is therefore called to the regulation referred to, which should be strictly complied with in future.

The undermentioned Officer is granted leave to proceed out of India on private affairs, under the Leave Rules for the Staff Corps; the specified period to count from date of being struck off duty till the date of sailing; the specified period to count from the date of leaving India:—Lieut A R B Shuttleworth, Staff Corps, Double Company Officer, 5th Bo Le Infy, for six months. Pension service sixth year, commenced 6th June 1901.

The undermentioned Officer has been granted an extension of leave by the Rt Hon the Secy of State for India:—Capt H Macdonald, Staff Corps, Supply and Transport Officer, 5th class, for three months on medical certificate.

The undermentioned Officer has leave of absence:—Royal Garrison Artillery—Capt L K Stanbrough. No. 19 Company, Eastern Divn, out of India, for 9 months on private affairs.

THE WEATHER.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

SIMLA, AUG. 31.

Saturday: Pressure has given way slightly to briskly in Upper India and gradients are hence steeper to-day over North-west India. A depression is still shown in the east of Central Provinces where pressure is normal or its slight defect. Light to heavy rain has fallen in Burma, light to moderate rain in West Himalayas and Sub Himalayas, Central Provinces and showers in the Gangetic plain and Central India plateau. Practically no rain has fallen on the west Coast. Mooltmein has received six inches, Umballa and Muree two, Cuttagong, Silcher, Simla, Saugor Sutna Hoshagabad, Cachmarhi, Jubbulpore, Ranchi and Cuttack one. Winds are light and irregular on the west coast and only a little rain is falling in the Peninsula. The depression in the central provinces will probably continue to determine showers in East Satpuras and adjouring districts.

RAINFALL IN BOMBAY.

	Byculla		Esplade.		Fort.		Colaba.	
	In.	Cts.	In.	Cts.	In.	Cts.	In.	Cts.
Previously registered.	85	67	81	02	84	56	73	00
Saturday, 31st August ...	00	00	00	07	00	10	00	07
Sunday, 1st September ...	00	00	00	04	00	00	00	00
Total.....	85	66	81	13	84	56	81	5
Total fall to Sept. 1, 1900	62	61	67	23	65	65	65	65
Total fall to Sept 1, 1899	29	51	32	39	37	21	37	21

Rainfall at Byculla registered from 8 p.m. to 6 p.m.; at the Esplanade and Fort, from 8 a.m. to 8 a.m.; and at Colaba from 4 p.m. to 4 p.m.

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Saturday, 31st August.....	00	19

OBSERVATIONS TAKEN AT 8 A.M., ON SATURDAY, THE 31ST OF AUGUST.

SUMMARY.

Pressure changes have been generally small. Gradients are moderate to slight.

Winds are cyclonic in the Central and North-West Provinces, north-easterly at Karwar and south-westerly to north-westerly elsewhere. The force has been fresh to light.

The variations of both the day and night temperatures are small. The highest temperature in the shade was 103° at Jacobabad and the lowest 64° at Belgaum.

Humidity changes are small and the sky is cloudy in all districts except in Sind and the greater part of Gujarat, where it is almost clear.

There has been more or less general rain in Central India and the Central Provinces and scattered showers elsewhere.

The monsoon gradient on the Malabar Coast has disappeared, while to the north of Karwar it is very weak. An extremely small area of low pressure lies in the Central Provinces, where the weather is slightly unsettled. Pressure is abnormally high in Sind, Rajputana, Gujarat and over the greater part of the Bombay Presidency. Conditions are therefore weak and local scattered showers are likely in the Central and North-West provinces, Central India and the Bombay Presidency.

The Mail steamer "Arabia" which left Aden on the 25th reports having experienced light south-westerly and southerly winds up to Longitude 52 E.; thence to to Longitude 70° E. moderate to fresh monsoon, cloudy weather and a moderate sea; thence to arrival in port yesterday morning light north-westerly winds and fine weather.

E. A. KENYON,
Meteorological Reporter for Western India.

THERMOMETER READINGS.

SATURDAY NIGHT—Aug. 31.

10 p.m.	80·4

SUNDAY—SEPT. 1.

6 a.m.	79·4
10 a.m.	83·0
2 p.m.	84·2
4 p.m.	83·0

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[THE CHARGE FOR NOTIFYING A DOMESTIC OCCURRENCE IS TWO RUPEES. THE ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE AUTHENTICATED.]

EUROPE.

MARRIAGE.

DU BOULAY—HOWELL—July 31, at the Church of St James, Weybridge, by the Right Rev the Lord Bishop of Southwell, assisted by the Rev Alfred Hamilton Cruickshank, M A., cousin of the bride, James Housemayne Du Boulay, I C S, son of the Rev James Housemayne Du Boulay, M A, of Winchester, to Freda Kilas Butts, daughter of Alfred and Beatrice Howell, of Belmont, Sydenham Hill, Kent.

AHMEDABAD.

DEATH.

DEANE—August 31, at Ahmedabad, Diana Deane, aged 5 years and 5 months.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS.

BUTTERFIELD—August 23, at Tenilba, Simla, the wife of W R Butterfield, P W D, of a son.
MINVALLA—August 24, at Mussoorie, the wife of P R Minvalle, Barrister-at-Law, of a son.
SCOTT—August 14, at Rock Hill, South Coorg, the wife of Norman Scott, of a daughter.
SIMPSON—August 28, at Coonoor, the wife of Major D Simpson, I M S, of a son.

DEATHS.

BRADY—August 23, at Madras, Charles D, father of A Brady, Station Master, S I Ry, Egmore, aged 63 years.
SCOTT—August 14, at Rock Hill, South Coorg, the infant daughter of Norman and Louisa Scott.
TURNER—August 22, at Simla, suddenly, Maurice Arthur Vere, infant son of the late Lieutenant A E Turner, Royal Engineers, aged 1 year.
WHITE—August 27, at Madras, Arthur Daniel William, the dearly loved son of A J H and Josephine White, Madras Salt Department, aged 6 years.
YESUDIAN—August 27, at Puthiamputhur, Tinnevelly District, of heart disease, the Reverend Sither Gnanakon, Priest, S P G, aged 64 years.

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FAMINE COMMISSION REPORT.

IF India is called upon to suffer again in future she will be better able, in so far as management and organisation are concerned, to meet her misfortunes from the lessons that have been learned in the sad school of recent visitation and that have been collected by the most competent and sympathetic hands. Thus concludes the Government of India resolution in review of the report of the Commission, which was appointed in December last to enquire into the administration of relief during the famine of 1899-1900. The hand of the Viceroy is to be recognised in the resolution. Its polished periods and rounded sentences were never born of the Secretary who signs it. And his Excellency does the Commission no more than justice in acknowledging the character of the investigation conducted by Sir Antony Macdonell, and the unflinching and exhaustive manner in which he pursued the inquiry. The secrets of every prison-house were laid bare, for very little that Sir Antony wanted to know was kept from him. It is not possible to doubt that India will be called upon to suffer in future. Famines in this country are inevitable and are not, as there are people foolish enough if not ignorant enough to say, the result of British maladministration. In "the good old times when Rajahs ruled" famines were more frequent and the attendant suffering was greater. Not one vindictive critic of the many who presume to criticise the Government and its ways has dared to challenge the assertion which Lord Curzon made a year ago that there never was a famine when the general mortality was less, when the distress was more amply or swiftly relieved, or when Government and its officers gave themselves with a more whole-hearted devotion to the saving of life and the service of the people. And Sir Antony Macdonell's report proves, if it prove anything, that Government did not show itself unworthy of its trust and that the year of strain and suffering did not pass by without Government's profiting by its lessons. It was in order that these lessons might be the more fully grasped that His Excellency appointed the officer, qualified more distinctly than any other in the service, to preside over the Commission entrusted with the task of revealing them. The report does not come quite so early as was expected, but it must be remembered that before reviewing it there intervened the necessity for studying and ascertaining the precise grounds on which the Commission based its conclusions and more important still its recommendations.

Government is ever watchful in anticipation of famine, and the report assures his Excellency in Council that so long as that is the case relief measures need not be undertaken until clear evidence is forthcoming of the existence of distress. The report lays it down that famine once with us, admission to relief should be regulated more strictly than in the past; that rates of famine wages and gratuitous allowance may be reasonably reduced; that able-bodied workers should be compelled to earn a wage, being paid proportionately to the work done, and that the grant of a minimum wage irrespective of the work done should be abolished; that small village works should be preferred in certain circumstances to large public work; that for the distribution of gratuitous relief money doles are preferable to cooked food; that efforts should be made to enlist more largely the services of non-officials in relief distribution, and that there should be special provision for executive control of famine work by the appointment in each Presidency or province affected of a Famine Commissioner with practical duties of inspection and control. The changes suggested are most of them important, that which relates to the fixing of a minimum wage being the best reply to the agitators at home who knew nothing, but that which was told them by men who paid flying visits to famine-camps, knew less about the country and famine and its relief when they returned home than when they came, and made remarks which horrified their readers, which they misrepresented famine work and annoyed and disgusted those who were intimately connected with it. Government recognises that experience is the safest indication of the sufficiency of the famine wage, but hesitate to accept the revised scale until possessed of the opinions of Local Governments regarding the same. However we gather that the minimum wage may now be considered abolished. On this subject the evidence adduced before the Commission led it to the conclusion that this might be done with safety. Officers stated that a certain fixed wage irrespective of the amount of work done led to demoralization and serious scandals. The Commission carefully safeguarded its recommendation by insisting on an exception being made for the benefit of the weakly, who are to be gauged separately and subject to this exception, and provided care be taken to limit the tasks to the capacity of the workers, Government are disposed to consider that fixed payments irrespective of work done. But on this subject again the Government of India is not willing to act against the wishes of Local Governments.

From this and other passages of the report it will be seen that although the Government of India is generally in agreement with Sir Anthony Macdonell's conclusion, it does not seek to bind local Governments to any hard and fast line. Bombay, for example is to be requested to consider, not to adopt, a recommendation that agricultural and vital statistics should in future pass through the Collector's office, and that the superior land record staff should be brought in closer relation with the village and district administrative staffs, and the need of discrimination in the grant of relief. Experience, as recorded by the commission, has shown that the able-bodied resort to the relief works before coming to the end of their resources, especially when the works are easy of access. The Commission, in view of this difficulty, are of opinion that in the case of village works a departure should be made from the principle hitherto accepted, and that admission should be controlled by selection, claims to relief after admission remaining conditional on the performance of a task. Of the suggestion that efforts should be made more largely to enlist the services of non-officials in relief distribution we must express a hope that that too will be left to local Governments. It is a dangerous door to open. No obstacle was placed in the way of missionaries and others travelling round the country at will and distributing grains as they pleased. But to place them in authority would almost inevitably be to reproduce the painful experiences of the South African War by letting loose upon us an army of busy-bodies capable of more mischief than good. We should have the friends of the well-meaning but misguided individuals who came out and wrote on India with such vivacity. When a man has been out in this country a month he plans to write a book on it; when he has prolonged his story to ten or twenty years he finds that he is just beginning to grow familiar with people and things and that his information is still too slight to run to a volume. And globe-trotting M.P.'s and itinerant correspondents try to teach us not only what the people want but what is best for them and how we should deal with them. We trust that Government will not extend its grace in this direction at all events, but will discourage in every possible way the importation of self-satisfied and meddlesome idiots who are a positive danger to the country. Government acquiesce in the suggestions offered for the management of test works and poor-houses, the value of which is insisted on. It also accepts the recommendation as to the more extended use of village works, on the ground that they are generally more economical and useful than public works, and more easily controlled and less liable to an outbreak of epidemic disease, and interfere less with the general demand for labour, offer less interruption to village life, and are less subversive of moral and domestic obligations. It is an eminently practical report and we do not hesitate to say that those who read his Excellency's verdict on it will agree with him that a material advance has been made towards the solution of the difficulties with which the state is confronted in undertaking at uncertain intervals and at short notice a gigantic and unparalleled system of poor relief.

THE PROPOSED UNIFIED STAMP.

THERE appears to be some misconception in connection with the question now before the public of the introduction of a unified stamp for postage and revenue purposes. There is only one issue in the matter. It is whether it is a greater convenience to the public to be allowed to deface their own postage stamps by pen-marking them or to be saved the trouble of having to use two sets of stamps, one for postage the other for purposes of receipts. The matter has been considered very carefully by the Indian postal authorities, who are quite willing to introduce a unified stamp, provided the pen-marking of postage stamps be prohibited as is the case in England and other countries which have adopted the unified stamp. So long as pen-marking is allowed in India, however, it is considered necessary to have separate stamps for receipt purposes. This is because the post office do not see their way to detecting the fraudulent use for postal purposes of stamps which have already done duty on receipted bills (where defacement is almost universally effected by pen marking), if pen-marked stamps be allowed to pass current in payment of postage. A proposal has been recently put forward by the Madras Trades Association, apparently with a view to meeting this difficulty without necessitating the abandonment of pen-marking. It is to the effect that a change should be made in the defacing of receipt stamps in order to prevent their re-use for postal purposes. The objection to this proposal is that it would be quite impossible, in the rush of business, for post-masters to distinguish one pen-marked stamp from another, or to decide whether what had been written across a stamp was merely for the purpose of preventing petty theft by the chuprassy, or represented the defacement of a stamp which has already been used for revenue purposes. This difficulty would not arise if the duty of the postal officials were confined to ascertaining that the stamps had not been previously defaced in any way. No objection has been raised by the revenue authorities to accepting postage stamps for revenue purposes, and the practice is only prohibited, at present, on account of the facilities it would afford for defrauding the post office so long as the pen-marking of postage stamps continues to be permitted. In requiring that the privilege of the pen-marking of postage stamps must be withdrawn as an antecedent condition to the [illegible] convenience of unified stamp public the ently for postal and revenue indifferent Indian Post Office only deserves the since been the arrangement has long

The question of introducing a was raised in 1893 by the Director stamp the Post Office, when various consideral of other bodies were consulted upon and As the result, the stamping of postage with rubber dies was made illegal on ground that it interfered with the de of cases in which postage stamps fraudulently re-used for postal pu after once passing through the post. B system of pen-marking was allowed to con as various influential bodies reported ag its abolition. Experience has since shown it affords by no means complete protect against the theft of postage stamps on the pa of those entrusted with conveying the article to the post. Indeed, one case has come to light in which pen-marked postage stamps, abstracted from letters, were being sold almost publicly for postal purposes. Under these circumstances there appears to be no sufficient reason for continuing it, when to do so involves the continued deprival of the public of the very real convenience of being able to use postage stamps for receipt purposes. The matter will now be again considered by Government, in the light of the fresh representations made by the Trades Associations of Calcutta, Madras and the Punjab. Should the result be the abolition of pen-marking and the introduction of a unified postal-revenue stamp, steps will, our Simla correspondent learns, be taken to render the change as little troublesome as possible by taking a lenient view, at first, of transgression of the rule against pen-marking, and only imposing the penalty of double postage after delinquents have been sufficiently warned. The Indian Post Office is so admirably managed, and is in so many respects ahead of corresponding institutions in Europe, that it may be safely entrusted with the carrying out of the undoubtedly useful reform which is now proposed. The provision of a unified postage revenue stamp is a need which has long been felt in India. And it will be seen that the condition which is attached to its accomplishment is put forward by the Post Office in no spirit of obstruction, but simply because it is a necessity which is recognised whenever the arrangement is in force.

STAFF CORPS PROMOTION.

THE movement which was started in Poona with a view to thanking Sir H. S. King for his active interest in the subject of Staff Corps promotion has been officially quashed.

THE statement of traffic on the Tapti Valley Railway for the first 13 days of July amounts to Rs. 12,010, which is a decrease on the corresponding period of last year of Rs. 8,630.

THE statement of traffic on the Ahmedabad Prantej Railway for the first 13 days of July amounts to Rs. 4,310, showing a decrease on the corresponding period of last year of Rs. 5,659.

THE Government of India have ordered an installation of linotype machines driven by separate electric motors for the Government Central Press in Calcutta.

AN additional Rs. 50,000 is sanctioned for the Swat river bridge.

COPIES of the new rules relating to the I. M. S. F. pensions have been received from the Secretary of State.

HEAVY rain fell again in Simla on Thursday, but not sufficient to seriously affect the damaged parts of the tonga road.

GOVERNMENT have increased their grant to the Army Temperance Association for the current year Rs. 10,000 to Rs. 11,750.

THE proposed reduction of the strength of the military guard over the Bank of Bengal has not been approved by Government.

THE famine returns for the last week show a reduction of 20,850 in British districts in Bombay and nearly 1,900 in Bombay Native States. There are still 407,000 persons on relief in British territory.

ESTIMATES amounting to over Rs. 1,23,000 have been sanctioned by the Government of India for providing the necessary accommodation at Mooltan for one of the native infantry regiments to be withdrawn from the frontier.

THE despatch regarding the administration of the North-West Frontier Province has now been in the hands of the Secretary of State for over a fortnight, and the reply thereto should reach the Government of India next month.

ONE rumour which has been circulated as a result of the recent heavy rain in Simla is that the racecourse at Annandale has been seriously damaged. This is quite untrue; the course is in splendid order, so down-country owners can confidently send entries for the autumn races in October.

CASES of false coining in the North-West Provinces last year rose from 273 to 346, but special inquiries made during the year do not point to any alarming spread of false coining. In one case in Aligarh the coiner took to counterfeiting sovereigns and gold mohurs—a novel enterprise, so far as is known.

SUGAR imports are increasing. During the first four months of the current year (April to July) the customs receipts on imported sugar amounted to Rs. 9,78,000 for the 5 per cent. duty, and Rs. 12,24,000 for the extra countervailing duties, compared with Rs. 7,92,000 and Rs. 6,05,000 during the corresponding periods of last year.

MESSRS. HEATLY AND GRESHAM, Ld., have recently completed a most satisfactory experimental installation at Barrackpore for pulling punkahs in the barracks. At present the punkahs of one barrack only are being pulled, but the main power house is capable of pulling the whole of the punkahs in the station. It has now been working for about a month.

ANOTHER increase is shown in the plague mortality for the week ending on August 24th of 252. The Bombay Presidency is chiefly responsible for this, as was the case last week. The Kolhapur, Dharwar and Satara districts contribute most to the increase in the Bombay Presidency, the deaths from this disease reaching no less than 1,103 in Dharwar during the week reviewed.

August 18th is the anniversary of Amir Abdur Rahman's accession to the throne, and it is always an important anniversary. His Highness held a Guest Durbar on the 18th instant at Baghi-Bala, at which all the principal Sirdars, high officials, and provincial chiefs were present. The proceedings lasted for seven hours. Kabul and all the principal cities in Afghanistan were illuminated at night in honour of the occasion.

As regards the composition of the Educational Conference in Simla, there will be present the Vice-Chancellors of the Calcutta, Bombay, and Madras Universities, Mr. Raleigh, Mr. Justice Candy, and Dr. Miller; and the Directors of Public Instruction of Bombay, Madras, Bengal, the N.-W. P., the Punjab and the Central Provinces. The proceedings of the Conference, which is informal in character, will not be open to the public, but the Viceroy's address on the first day should be an utterance of general interest, and it is to be hoped that His Excellency will allow it to be put in circulation.

SIMLA NEWS AND NOTES.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, AUG. 29.

THE wire has already told your readers of Simla's misfortunes in the way of slips. It is so long since we have had nine inches of rain in the same number of hours, that it is not surprising a good deal of damage was done. The spectacle which presented itself when the station woke up on the morning of Thursday last was a very woe-begone one. Trees had slid from their niches on the hill-side and were standing on great banks of fallen soil in the midd le of the Mall. Nullahs had come down in the night and covered the road with boulders and debris, in places, half a dozen feet thick. Hardly a culvert but was blocked with rocks and mud. Water was freering down the causeways, cutting up road metal and eventually finding its way down the khud side at place where it jumped off being usually marked by the subsidence of the railing and a slip greater or less extent below the road. A s feature was the extent to which ater had made its way into the hill sides, spouting from all sorts of unexpected corners. as an entertainment at Barnes Court on the it question and the journey homewards after of operation of difficulty, some of the biggest to Vs happening about midnight. The road the 'i Lodge is said to have gone just after that as carriage had passed over the portion Snowdo and some of the members of the crossing ehold had an exciting experience in ers that ht-deep slough of liquid mud and bould- beyond thdenly established itself across the Mall suffered rear bazaar. The better built houses less kutcha bly little, but numbers of more or accidents occures were carried away and a few huts perched hrough boulders descending upon the havoc was sure corners. On the cart road as if it would tely picturesque. The route looked loan by the tailwerks to restore. Thanks to the and the energy of a couple of hundred coolies, others, however, tocutive Engineer in engaging out transhipment ha were running through, with- the Municipal authonday. By the same date the station, the slips, a had cleared the roads in fenced off, and everythi ready restored, had been remarkable thing now is as in order. The only damage has been done. A very little permanent their leave; the arrival o visitors had to overstay was postponed for a coupl Antony Macdonnell thousand rupees of municipa days, while a few in repairing the hill-sides, ings will disappear indicated the weak places in t incident has also shown where the culverts and taining walls and rectification. The last-mentioned courses require importance, as experience shows ct is of distinct of stations like Simla from landsli the protection ly a matter of drainage, and impro ats almost entire- be made which will go far towards el ats will now to set at defiance very much worse s ing the place one we have just been through. is than the

The rain on the hill-sides has not mped the spirits of the hill captain but gaieties, present, are mostly prospective. At the Town H during the past week, has been held a very success bazaar got up by Miss Picton Warlow, and oth charitable spirits, in aid of that deserving institu on the Young Women's Christian Association. Th Art Exhibition is still open and is well worth a visit. To-night a reception with a musical and dramatic entertainment is to be held at Viceregal Lodge to me Sir Antony Macdonnell. The Amateur Dramati Club are busily rehearsing for "The Adventures o Lady Ursula" which is to be staged with Mrs. Coffin in the title role, beginning next Saturday. "Jin the Penman" is billed for September 12th and I hear that Mrs. Wheeler, an actress of charm, long familiar to the Simla public, is coming up to take the leading part, a smaller one having been allotted to Miss Wheeler. The Mall is gay and important with announcements of Mascagni's opera "Cavaleria Rusticana" in which at least three Simla favourites are to sing, Mrs. Carthew Yorston, Mrs. Hawkins and Major Turner. It is still a far cry to the autumn races, which are settled for the 8th of October, or even to the Durand Football Tournament, always an event of interest, fixed for the 17th of next month; but Lady Palmer's first fancy dress dance will come off, as originally intended, next Wednesday, and Lady Young has a small dance on the 9th, while on the 10th the annual Masonic Ball will attract the usual throng to the Town Hall. Dancing people have really been to be commiserated this season; the fates have been all against them, and though there is talk of great doings when Lady Curzon returns in October, it is difficult to suppose that compensation can be crowded into the autumn months for all the neutral tinted season that is past.

Doubt still hangs over the future head-quarters of the Punjab Government, nothing authoritative can possibly issue yet, as I can positively state that the report of the Provincial Government has not been sent in. In any event it is practically settled that there will be no move next year, and the various domestic arrangements of the clerical staff have been accordingly permitted to proceed with Simla as their basis. On the other hand it has been reported that the change to Dalhousie is feasible in point of space, and if it is made at all that will be the station chosen. Prophets are to be found in plenty for either event, but the body of opinion inclines to the negative view, and certainly the wish is father to the thought, in the community generally, that the Punjab Government may remain precisely where it is.

DEPARTURE OF H. E. THE GOVERNOR.

ON Saturday afternoon, at two o'clock, H. E. Lord Northcote, the Governor of Bombay, left the Victoria Terminus for Kirkee en route for Ganeshkind, accompanied by Lieutenant-Colonel Richard Owen, Military Secretary; Mr. Claude Hill, Private Secretary; Colonel A. E. J. Creley, R. A. M. C., Medical Officer; Captain Sloane-Stanley, Captains Bignell and M. D. Wood, A.-D.-C's and Captain J. H. Crawford, the Acting Commander of H. E. the Governor's Bodyguard. Although His Excellency's departure was private there was a crowd assembled in the station premises including H. H. the Aga Khan, Mr. James Macdonell, Sheriff of Bombay; Colonel Sinclair, Commanding Bombay District; Mr. W. D. Sheppard, Municipal Commissioner; Mr. E. Gray, Collector of Bombay; Dr. Pollen, Collector of Customs; Mr. G. U. W. Dunn, Acting Chairman of the City Improvement Trust. By the same train Lieutenant-General Sir Robert Westmacott, K. C. B., Commanding the Bombay Forces, accompanied by his Military Secretary, Major Pinney, left for Poona. The Railway Police had made good arrangements under Mr. Collett.

His Excellency Lord Northcote, accompanied by Mr. Claude Hill, Private Secretary, paid a visit to the Lady Northcote Hindu Orphanage, at Girgaum, on Saturday morning. His Excellency was received by the Hon. Mr. Justice Chandavarkar, Mr. Kursondas Chhabildas, Mr. Ruttonsey Moolji and others and shown over the institution, which owes its existence to Mr. Ruttonsey Moolji.

IMPORTANT proposals to strengthen the controlling staff of the police force in the North-West Provinces are now before the Government of India. The proposals are to appoint a third Deputy Inspector-General for the district police, 14 Assistant Superintendents, and 17 Circle Inspectors, and to create a new grade of Deputy Superintendents corresponding to Deputy Collectors in executive service. Sir Antony Macdonnell says that the staff at present is not sufficient for the work it has to do, and it is only by control from above that the action of the subordinate officers can be stimulated and controlled.

SOME hard things have been said about Mr. Rudyard Kipling's latest poetical effusion, but, remarks the Lahore paper, the most unkind cut of all is from the "Speaker," which sincerely admires the composition, because it detects in it a Little England strain. But it calls him "the Eurasian laureate." The belief evidently is that a writer who is read both in Europe and Asia is a Eurasian. According to that ingenious theory Longfellow, whose "Evangeline" is read by F. A. classes, is an American Indian. The "Speaker" may well claim to be a Little England journal, seeing that it is ignorant of the meaning of one of the commonest Anglo-Indian terms.

TELEGRAMS.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

THE WAR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

THE CAPE INVASION.

BOER REFUGEE CAMPS.

MR. KRUGER TRIES TO INTERVIEW THE TSAR.

A TRAIN BLOWN UP BY BOERS.

COMMISSIONS OFFERED TO YEOMEN.

LONDON, AUG. 31.

Four hundred and fifty Boers have crossed the Orange River in the Vryburg and Phillipstown districts.

Commandant Scheepers has moved to the south-west, invading a portion of Cape Colony hitherto undisturbed.

There are now 62,479 occupants in the concentration camps in the Transvaal.

The total deaths in July were 1,067 of which 860 were children mostly from measles.

It appears that Dr. Leyds unsuccessfully approached M. Delcasse and Count Lamsdorff to obtain an interview for Mr. Kruger with the Tsar on the occasion of His Majesty's visit to France.

Lord Kitchener telegraphs that a train was blown up on the 31st instant to the south of Samanskraal. Two hundred and fifty Boers immediately rushed on the wrecked train and fired the trucks. Vandaleur of the Irish Guards was killed. other casualties are not yet reported.

LONDON, AUG. Colonel Garratt surprised another laager on the 23rd instant, to the Westward of Vereeniging and three Boers and capturing eight, besides transport.

Our casualties were four.

The War Office offers to Yeomen possessing the qualifications to serve in the regular commissions in provisional cavalry regiments.

LON , SEPT. 1. Commandants Scheepers and V ermerwe are nearing the sea.

Heavy firing has been heard t West of Ondtshoorn.

Four Fusiliers were killed an selves wounded at Jaskraal in Orange Colony on the 28th ultimo.

TAX ON FRENCH RELIGIOUS ORDERS IN TURKEY.

LONDON, AUG. 31.

The Sultan is levying taxes on French religious Orders in Turkey.

The "Times" Pa s correspondent says that this is a part and parce of the new policy of Ottoman nationalism.

FRANCE AND THE PORTE.

LONDON, SEPT. 1.

Turkey has requested the resumption of relations with France, giving vague assurances. France is not likely to consent on such a basis.

It is stated that the Porte is endeavouring at Berlin to obtain Germany's arbitration in the dispute.

A COLONIAL GOVERNORSHIP.

The "Daily News" states that Sir Joseph West Ridgway will be the first Governor of New South Wales under the Commonwealth.

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The Colonial Office knows nothing of the report that Sir Joseph West Ridgway becomes first Governor of new South Wales under the Commonwealth.

THE TIBETAN MISSION.

The "Times'" Moscow correspondent says that the departure of the Tibetan Mission is shrouded in mystery. It is believed they are returning overland escorted through Mongolian-Russia by a force consisting largely of intelligence officers serving nominally in the ranks.

THE TSAR'S MOVEMENTS.

THE MEETING AT DANTZIG.

The Tsar arrives at Dunkirk on the 18th September. President Loubet meeting their Majesties in the Bay.

The Tsar and Tsaritsa have sailed for Copenhagen thence go to Kiel when the Tsaritsa visits her sister,—the Tsar proceeding to Dantzig and returning to Kiel, sailing thence to Dunkirk.

It is officially announced that Count Lamsdorff will attend the interviews between the Emperor William and the Tsar.

PORTUGUESE RECEPTION OF BRITISH SQUADRONS.

The King of Portugal in his yacht accompanied by five warships met the British manœuvring squadrons off Algarve and gave a grand banquet to the Admirals. His Majesty lunched on board the British flagship.

LAUNCH OF NEW WARSHIPS.

The battleship Exmouth, 14,000 tons, was launched at Birkenhead to-day and the cruiser Bedford, 0 tons, was launched at Glasgow.

THE COMING AMERICAN CUP RACE.

The Columbia beat the Constitution in the first race for the choice of defender of the Cup.

THE ALIEN QUESTION IN AUSTRALIA.

LONDON, AUG. 30.

A number of coloured aliens from Calcutta have arrived at Melbourne and Mr. Barton, the Premier, has directed that they shall not be admitted unless proved to be British subjects, as he could not allow an undue influx of aliens, pending the passing of the Restrictions Act.

LORD SALISBURY'S COMING RETIREMENT.

The "Pall Mall Gazette" says it is now pretty certain that the retirement of Lord Salisbury, which well informed circles was recently believed to be imminent, has been deferred till after the Coronation.

THE MAILS.

LONDON, AUG. 30.

The Bombay mails of the 17th instant arrived at Brindisi to-day.

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ATIONAL CONFERENCE AT SIMLA.

EXPERTS WHO WILL ATTEND.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, AUG. 31.

At the Educational Conference which meets here on Monday it is understood there will be present Mr. Raleigh, Vice Chancellor, Calcutta University; Mr Pedler, Director of Public Instruction, Bengal; Mr. Justice Candy, Vice-Chancellor, Bombay University; Mr. Giles, Director of Public Instruction, Bombay; Mr. Selby, Principal of the Deccan College; Mr. Miller, Vice-Chancellor, Madras University; Mr. Stuart, Principal of the Presidency College; Mr. Chatterton of Aluminium fame; Mr. Boutflower, representing Allahabad; Mr. Bell, Director of Public Instruction, Punjab; and Mr. Fraser, Chief Commissioner, Central Provinces.

No official information is available regarding the scope of the enquiry, but I understand that university, practical and primary education will be discussed. The Viceroy will preside on the first day and will possibly open the Conference with an address, giving the views of the Government, on which members will thereafter be left to frame their recommendations.

The deliberations of the Conference may last a fortnight or three weeks and will, it is understood, be kept confidential for the time being.

DEATH OF MAJOR EDWARDS.

Major C. G. F. Edwards, 5th Punjab Cavalry, officiating Assistant Adjutant-General, Derajat District, died at Sheikh Budin yesterday, of acute peritonitis.

"GAZETTE OF INDIA" NOTIFICATIONS.

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT.

Major W. Robinson, I. M. S., to be Residency Surgeon, Jaipur.

Mr. Reid, Principal of the Government College, Ajmere, has seven months' furlough, Mr. E. F. Harris, officiating.

Captains J. N. Macleod, F. A. Smith, and G. Drake-Brockman, I. M. S., are to be Agency-Surgeons.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

SIMLA, AUG. 30.

Lieut.-Colonel. J. G. Day, R. E., is transferred from Bengal to Bombay as Commanding Royal Engineers, Quetta District.

Major H. H. Barnett, R. E., is posted as Commanding Royal Engineers, Oudh District.

Major E. Houston, R. E., officiates as Commanding Royal Engineers, Allahabad.

Arrangements are being made to provide the Native Infantry Detachment at Guntok with a vegetable garden.

Owing to there being no Madras Infantry Regiment at Quilon, special arrangements are being made for the administration of that cantonment.

The Lieutenant-General Commanding, Madras, has been officially informed that orders regarding revised provincialised grants will be issued shortly by the Government of India.

A small informal Committee is now engaged at Army Headquarters in Simla in working out the details connected with mounted infantry mobilization. This is the outcome of the scheme for the regular training of a proportion of the British and Native infantry for mounted work.

It is probable that a camp of exercise will be held in the neighbourhood of Jhansi during the ensuing cold weather, if the season proves a healthy one.

The following colonial reliefs of Madras Infantry have been arranged :—9th, from Colombo to Bangalore ; 13th, St. Thomas's Mount to Singapore ; 16th, Singapore to Madras ; 19th, Madras to Mauritius 26th, Vizianagram to Colombo ; 27th, Mauritius to Cannanore.

THE Government of India are considering proposals for the immediate discharge—with suitable gratuity—of the reserves of the Hyderabad Contingent which it has been decided to abolish.

BOMBAY ARRIVALS, AUGUST, 31.—Fawkes, Captain Punjab, 2nd Essex Regiment, on leave from Dagshai.

Douglas, Captain, Punjab, 2nd Bombay Lancers, on leave from Jullunder.

DEPARTURES, AUGUST 31.—Barratt, Captain, Punjab, 34th Pioneers, on furlough to England.

Cooper, Captain, Punjab, 1st Sikhs, on furlough to England.

Douglas, Captain, Punjab, 2nd Bombay Lancers, on leave to England.

Curll, Major, Punjab, S. Wales Borderers, to rejoin to Cherat.

Barratt, Major, Punjab, 1st Sikhs, on leave to England.

O'Brien, Captain, Bengal, R. A. M. C., on duty to England.

Richardson, Colonel, Bengal, 2nd S. Lancers Regiment, off leave to Jubbulpore.

Beatson, Major, Bengal, R. F. A., off leave to Jubbulpore.

Leggatt, Lieutenant, Bombay, Royal Scots, on leave to England.

Grant, Lieutenant-Colonel, Bombay and Madras, D. A. A. G., B. A. Schools, on leave to England.

ROVERS' FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT.

The following gives the result of the drawing of the ties for the Rovers' Association Football tournament which begins on Saturday next. It will be noticed that fourteen teams have entered and the competitions should be more than usually interesting :—

FIRST ROUND.

Royal Scots. Bye.
1. Bombay Gymkhana vs. West York Regiment.
2. Welsh Regiment vs. Rovers F. C.
3. Oxford L. I. vs. Bombay Telegraph Club.
4. Cheshire Regiment vs. East York Regiment.
5. Black Watch vs. Royal Irish Regiment.
6. Royal Warwicks vs. Royal Irish Rifles.

Shropshire L. I.—Bye.

II ROUND.

7. Winners of 1 vs. winners of 4.
8. Shropshire L. I. vs. winners of 3.
9. Winners of 6 vs. winners of 2.
10. Winners of 5 vs. Royal Scots.

Semi-finals.

11. Winners of 8 vs. winners of 10.
12. Winners of 9 vs. winners of 7.

Final.

13. Winners of 11 vs. winners of 12.

THE LORD NORTHCOTE CRICKET SHIELD COMPETITION.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, SEPT. 1.

In the Inter-College Cricket match for the Lord Northcote Challenge Shield, the Deccan College lost by 41 runs.

SHOOTING MATCH AT POONA.

ROYAL SCOTS vs. BOMBAY ARTILLERY.

In the Shooting Match between the Royal Scots and Bombay Volunteer Artillery, the Poona Divison fired yesterday on the Lancers' range. The Scots were handicapped by firing with carbines, but eventually won the match by 432 points against the Artillery by 414.

GOLF AT POONA.

The Golf Competition for August filled better than last month, there being 104 entries by 21 members. The competition was won by Major Moss, Messrs. Condon and Wroughton put up the best net cores and are eligible to play for the Club Medals in October.

THE LAND REVENUE BILL.

POONA, SEPT. 1

A public meeting of the inhabitants of the city was held this evening at the Sarvajanik Sabha Hall for the purpose of protesting to the Government of India against the Land Revenue Bill passed at the Council meeting last week. The Hall was crowded. Bhau Saheb Mendalkar presided on the occasion. Mr. Kelkar read the memorial, which it is proposed to send to Lord Curzon. The memorial, after dealing with the haste with which the Land Revenue Bill was passed, went over much the same ground touched upon by the non-official members in their speeches. It referred to the alarm caused by the measure, said that the fact was shown in that there were no less than 630 vernacular petitions signed by 52,000 persons and 42 English petitions. The very fact that out of arrears of revenue, amounting to one crore and fifteen lakhs, no less than 45 lakhs were realised before its second reading, amply proved this excitement. The time selected for the introduction was most inopportune, as the province was only emerging out of calamities through which it had passed during the last four years. If the Bill was really intended for a special class of people or areas there was no necessity for investing Government with wider powers or for hurrying the Bill through the Council before the lands forfeited in the last famine were disposed of. As usual the memorialists contended that the view of forfeiture of Bill was at variance with the medical interpretation of the Code by the Bombay High Court and the practce followed by the Revenue authorities.

In the Presidency the present measure, the memorial went on to say, was far more radical and far reaching in its consequences than the Punjab Land Alienation Act, as it took away all the rights of transfer and reduced the ryot to the position of a mere tenant at will. The late Mr. Justice Ranade's opinion that it would be disastrous to deprive the Kumbi of such rights was quoted, and the memorial concluded by stating that every Commission that had inquired into the indebtedness of the Deccan ryot had found that the rigidity of revenue collections and absence of agricultural banks were responsible for the ryot's embarrassment. It, therefore, asked these remedial measures should be tried before the Bill was sanctioned. Mr. Tilak explained the contents of the memorial which was adopted, and a resolution was also adopted thanking Messrs. Mehta, Gokhale, Daji Abaji Khare, Parekh and Sir Bhalchandra Krishna and other members who had supported the Bill for representing the popular side so forcibly and fearlessly.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

BARSI, SEPT. 1

At a public meeting held here hearty thanks were expressed for the courageous conduct of the non-official members of the Bombay Legislative Council who opposed the Land Revenue Bill, and it was resolved to memorialise Lord Curzon by wire desiring His Excellency to withhold his sanction to the Bill.

TECHNICAL EDUCATION.

RANCHODLAL CHHOTALAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL AT AHMEDABAD.

CONCERNING the constitution of the Board of Management of the above School the following Government Resolution in the Educational Department has been issued :—

Resolution.—The rules for the Ranchodlal Chhotalal Technical School, Ahmedabad, are approved, and the Board should take steps to register itself as a Society under Act XXI. of 1860, and the date of registration should be reported to Government.

It is not possible at present for Government to determine the amount of the grant-in-aid to be given to the institution, but after the constitution of the Board any definite proposals submitted by it through the Director of Public Instruction will receive from Government such favourable consideration as may be possible in the existing financial situation.

The Commissioner, N. D., should be requested to invite the special attention of the Municipal and Local Boards in Gujarat to the establishment of the school, and should move those Boards to contribute as liberally as the circumstances will permit towards the support of an institution the existence of which should confer great benefits on the people of that province.

The Public Works Department should be requested to render all possible assistance to the Board in the preparation of plans and estimates and in constructing such buildings as may be finally approved. The usual Departmental charges should be foregone.

His Excellency the Governor-in-Council has learnt with much regret of the decease of the donor, Mr. Madhavlal Ranchodlal, before the scheme could be formulated, but he is gratified to observe the keen interest in the development of the project which is evinced by Mr. Chhotalal Madhavlal, the present representative of the donor's family.

THE CHITRAL COMMISSARIAT FRAUDS.

HOODWINKING THE EXAMINER'S OFFICE.

ANOTHER of the several cases which have resulted from overhauling the commissariat accounts of the Chitral Relief Force has been disposed of by the Sessions Judge of Rawalpindi, to whom an appeal was carried. The accused, Kishan Chand Syal, was sentenced to one year's rigorous imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 1,000 by the Special Magistrate appointed to try the commissariat cases. The facts of the case are as follows :—The accused was employed as a commissariat agent in the Chitral Relief Force, and received advances of Government money from time to time. On 20th September, 1895, the accused forwarded goods supplied by him, including 700 dhunnies, to the base transport godown at Nowshera. On 1st October, 1895, accused made a charge in his bill as follows : Saddle-trees (dhunnies) 700 at Rs. 1-8-0, Rs. 1,050. It appears that saddle-trees and dhunnies are different articles, dhunnies being small pieces of bamboo for uniting the two sides of a saddle. The value of a saddle-tree is Rs. 1-8-0 and that of a dhunni two annas. On the misrepresentation that saddle-trees had been supplied the bill was passed at the rate of Rs. 1-8-0 per saddle-tree. The Court found that the motive for adding "dhunnies" after saddle-trees was clearly to hoodwink the Examiner's Office into the idea that saddle-trees and dhunnies were the same thing, and remarked that whoever adopted this device seems to have gauged the mental calibre of that office to a nicety. A clerk from that office has stated that if you see a word in the vernacular of which you do not know the meaning, you do not make any inquiry. No doubt ordinary persons cannot be expected to be always on the "qui vive," but I think the examiner's office knowing the sort of persons they have to deal with are in a some hat different position. However that may be, the bill was passed, and but for the subsequent overhauling of the Chitral accounts the fraud would apparently never have been detected. In conclusion the Court found that the word "dhunnies" inserted after saddle trees had been entered fraudulently by the accused, or at his instance, to cause it to be believed that dhunnies and saddle-trees are the same thing, and that the accused had misappropriated Rs. 932-8-0 of cash advance entrusted to him by Government. The appeal was consequently dismissed and the subsequent application for revision in the Chief Court was rejected.

POONA DURING THE SEASON.

A ROUND OF GAIETIES.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, AUG. 29.

RAIN and the mourning into which the death of the Empress Frederick threw official Poona has been responsible for a somewhat dull fortnight. Things are brightening up a bit now, and with the passing away of the rain-clouds and the termination of the mourning, Poona should be in the full swing of season gaiety, before long. It is quite time, too, that we had our pleasures if they are to come at all this year, for two-thirds of what is called the Poona season has already passed away and little more than a month remains. By all accounts, however, September bears promise of a rich crop of good things. The Cinderellas at the Gymkhana which were so abruptly stopped by the mourning, are to be resumed ; then there is the Royal Artillery Ball on the 2nd, the Western India Club Ball on the 18th, the Civil Service Ball, very probably, on the 23rd, and a Fancy Dress Ball at the Gymkhana on the 3rd October. This does not take into account several small and earlier items, which are on the *tapis*, or the hundred and one other outings already programmed for the days that are to come.

Of things that are doing or have been but lately, cricket has not occupied a very prominent place, thanks to the weather. The Kathiawar visit turned out a failure as Captain Street brought up his team just when we were having the full benefit of our August showers. But the Bombay Parsee Gymkhana were more fortunate a week or so later when the clouds had lifted. Poona generally looks forward to a good day when a Bombay Parsee team favours it with its presence, and on this occasion we were in no wise disappointed. The game was a very interesting one, and not a little exciting towards the close. Captain Douglas, as usual, took the precaution to have a strong team in the field, with a good relay of bowlers, and at least half the number of reliable bats. The Parsee Gymkhana had at their disposal some very good men, notably the two Kangas, the two Modys, Davar and Kharas. As usually happened, too, the visitors were stronger in bowlers than the local Gymkhana, and this was conclusively proved not once only, but in both innings when Kharas twice captured Douglas's wicket before the Poona champion could get into double figures. The result of the match was a most creditable draw for the Parsees, who with two hours and three-quarters in front of them and a well nigh impossible 155 to negotiate, set their faces against rapid scoring and resolved to play out time. This they were able to do by the very narrowest of squeaks. It wanted some ten minutes or so to the call of time when Watcha, the last man, went in. Those were minutes of intense excitement to the crowds round the ground. Instructions were bawled at the two players from the pavilion ; at every stroke Watcha was advised to try and get the bowling, and when at last time sounded a shout of jubilation rent the air. The result was a deserving tribute to the skill of the defence. The scores were. Poona Gymkhana 135 and 123 (for 6 wickets) ; Bombay Parsee Gymkhana 104 and 80 (for 9 wickets).

The visit of the Marine Battalion, falling as it did on a day when there were several other engagements on hand, did not receive the attention it deserved. Neither Douglas, Sale, F. L. Sprott, Wood, Bignell nor William played in the match, which was therefore left in the hands of players less well-known. The record of the Poona Gymkhana, however, continued unbroken still, for the local team scored 98 against the others' 93, and thus won by 5 runs.

While on the subject of cricket I may as well mention that the first round in the Inter-College Competition for the Northcote Challenge Shield was played here this week. The competing Colleges were the Fergusson, Deccan, and Science College, all of Poona ; and the Rajaram College from Kolhapur. The Fergusson and Rajaram tried conclusions on Monday, the result being a decided victory for the former by an innings and 80 runs. The other match between the College of Science and the Deccan College I regret to learn, resulted in some unpleasantness and was left unconcluded.

The Junior Polo Tournament, which has just come to an end, points to a distinct revival of interest in the game in this station. When the Durhams were here, a few years back, their presence had a deterrent effect on the visits of outside teams and both the Junior and Open Tournaments languished for want of support. Then came the plague and the matches became tournaments in little more than name. It is pleasing to note that there has been quite a marked revival of the game on the present occasion, and given the same favourable conditions the Open Tournament next month ought to be quite as full of interest as the one just ended. Seven teams entered for this year's contest, five of these being practically local teams, and the other outsiders. The 28th Hussars have been such staunch supporters of Poona Polo for several years past that it seems quite fitting that they should have won the tournament this year. Most of the games were well contested, but the last two between Government House, A.-D.-C.'s and the 20th Hussars, and the latter and the Royal Scots were distinctly the fastest and best fought out of any. So evenly were the Royal Scots and 20th Hussars matched that for long it was just a toss up between them which would win. The play was watched with interested attention by several hundreds of persons ; their Excellencies Lord and Lady Northcote being "at home" in the polo pavilion. For sheer hard riding and close play, the game would, I think, be hard to beat anywhere. During the last two chukkers the excitement was quite intense and when at last Captain James hit the winning goal within 24 seconds of time, the Hussars were vigorously applauded. The scores at the close were 20th Hussars 5 goals to Royal Scots 4 goals 1 subsidiary.

In the course of the tournament the 20th Hussars beat the 1st Bombay Lancers by 4 goals to 1 goal 1 sub., and Government House A.D.C.'s by 3 goals 2 subs. to 1 goal 1 sub. The Royal Scots beat the Poona Gymkhana by 1 goal 3 subs. to 3 subs., and the Royal Field Artillery by 4 goals 2 subs. to 2 goals. The Central India Horse, who determined to play one man short rather than give up, had to scratch after playing one chukker owing to an accident to Lieut. Goodfellow. The final between the Scots and Hussars was as detailed above. The Royal Artillery at Kirkee on Tuesday evening concluded their Inter-battery Hockey Tournament for the Challenge Cup presented by Colonel Suart in 1893. Up to the last trooping season Kirkee was a Horse Artillery station, but with the change recently introduced we have got four field artillery batteries there instead. The Cup has been two years in existence and was won last year by the 16th Field Battery, who have, however, since changed stations. The final match this year was between the 70th and 29th batteries, the latter slightly the favourites at the start. The 29th in spite of the advantage of playing downhill were unable to make any impression on the defence of the 70th during the first half of the game. They made three or four good tries but the vigilance of the goal-keeper kept the ball out each time. With a change of sides the 29th were at last able to prevail and had 3 goals to "love," by the time the whistle piped time. The 29th forwards played a good, worrying game and generally reserved the 70th to a defensive attitude. Their combination is sound and should help them to a good position in the coming Poona Gymkhana Hockey Tournament, which is fixed for Monday, the 4th November. The 70th are said to have started their hockey team only since their arrival in Kirkee. Their tussel with the 29th, nevertheless, showed that they have taken to the game in earnest and mean to give a good account of themselves. I shall watch with interest for their appearance in the hockey tournament abovementioned. They have two full months within which to correct the defects their play on Tuesday revealed. They have strong defensive backs and a very reliable goal-keeper in Br. Lavin. A little improvement in their passing and shooting will help them on considerably I should say.

The golf links at Yerrowda continue to attract lovers of the game to the breezy up-lands in the neighbourhood of His Majesty's penetentiary. Mr. Wroughton, the energetic honorary secretary has greatly improved them, and is said to be contemplating a Poona Golf Week in the first week in October. The news should be welcome to all who delight in a turn round on the eighteen hole course.

BOMBAY AND RAILWAY COMMUNICATIONS.

LETTER FROM THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

THE Chamber of Commerce, under date 21st August, addressed the following letter to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department (Railways), Bombay :—

SIR,—Under the instructions of the Committee of the Bombay Chamber of Commerce I have the honour to submit for the consideration of His Excellency the Governor-in-Council the following brief statement of the position of Bombay trade in respect of Railway communications.

2. Some three months ago this Chamber received from the Government of India a copy of last year's History of Railway Projects. The members were then distressed to notice that in the statement given in paragraph 8 of the preliminary note to that publication, which statement set forth a "forecast of expenditure on railways for three years ending 1903-04, according to present proposals" the only railways included in that programme, and which could in any way mitigate the present disabilities of Bombay in respect of railway communications, were the Agra-Delhi chord, the Amalner-Jalgaon line and the Chalisgaon-Dhulia line. The committee had learned from the copies of letters from the Government of India which accompanied your letters Nos. 570 and 1549 of 1899 that the Imperial Government proposed the construction of the Agra-Delhi chord as in some manner giving effect to the intention declared by Government in 1897 "that the through connection from Nagda to Muttra and Delhi should be preferred." As stated in the letter of this Chamber, dated 29th April, 1899, my committee were unable to imagine on what grounds the Government so viewed the Agra-Delhi project. For it has always appeared to this Chamber to be essential at once to the financial success of the Nagda-Bara-Muttra line and to the proper development of the trade of the regions to be traversed by it, that the construction should be begun at the southern end, so that each mile added might afford to a new tract of country direct access to the port which forms its natural outlet. It was subsequently explained to this Chamber that the said work was intended not as a substitute for, but as an earnest of, the undertaking in behalf of which they have so patiently and consistently made representation to Government. Relying upon this assurance as a reaffirmation of the declaration made in 1897, the Committee have still thought it right to keep before Government, as occasion arose, the supreme importance of the scheme most urgently demanded by the trade. Even on reading the copy of the letter of the Government of India, No. 11 R. P., dated 15th January last, which accompanied your letter No. 325 of the 31st idem, they retained some hope that the obvious claims of Bombay to some measure of extension would not be entirely ignored. They, therefore, abstained from comment on certain passages in the Government of India's letter which struck them as calling for respectful criticism.

3 The amended programme set forth in the Administration Report of the Railways in India for 1900, which has just been received, shows now that so far from any means having been found of developing the communication of this side of India, even the meagre prospects held forth in the Histories of Railway Projects have been withdrawn, and that not even the Agra-Delhi chord is now to participate in favour. My committee therefore consider it incumbent on them once more to invoke the gracious assistance of His Excellency the Governor-in-Council in an effort to bring home to the Government of India and H. M.'s Secretary of State a sense of the neglect under which the trade of this port has suffered for so many years.

4. In doing so they must revert to the letter of the Government of India, dated 15th January last, and beg that you will be pleased to invite from the Supreme Government some statement of the "obvious reasons" to which they allude as entitling certain other lines to precedence of that in question. It is admitted in paragraph 3 of the said letter that the Nagda-Bara-Muttra line "will form a main artery of traffic between the trade centres of Upper India and Bombay"; and all the considerations in the matter, as known to my committee and as previously recognised by Government, sanctioned the former determination of Government to give precedence to that line. My committee therefore desire to submit with deference that whatever reasons may exist for an indefinite postponement of Government's intentions, they cannot properly be called obvious but on the contrary might fittingly be stated.

5. In the letter addressed to your Department by this Chamber on the 24th April 1897 was included a statement showing the distribution of grant in the three years' programme of that time and the extreme meagreness of the consideration shown to Bombay therein. Since that time the policy of exclusion has been prosecuted continuously ; and I now have the honour to append a table from which it will be seen that the port of Bombay, which does some 35 per cent. of the entire foreign trade of India (including Burma), receives in respect of railway development 11 1-2 per cent. of the grants to be made available in the next three years. If this were a mere temporary phase of the Indian railway policy my committee might regard the matter with less misgiving, but it appears to them to mark a simple continuation of a state of affairs of long standing ; and this in spite of the earnest representations made at a greater distance by this Chamber and by that of Upper India.

6. In my letter of the 31st July last I had the honour to bring to your notice the manner in which the railways leading to Calcutta are permitted to disregard existing regulations in respect of rolling stock, with the effect of diverting trade from this port ; and I am to submit with respect that it is impossible for a body representing so large a proportion of the country's commerce to acquiesce in a continuation of conditions that amount to grave injustice. It is therefore hoped that his Excellency the Governor will be pleased to take the matter up very seriously with the Supreme Government and obtain for Bombay the full measure of that consideration to which her very large trade plainly entitles her.—I have, &c.,

C. H. ARMSTRONG, Deputy Chairman.
FREDERICK NOEL PATON, Secretary.

Distribution of Grants in the Three years' Programme. Unit Rs. 1,000.

	1901—1902.		1902—1903.	
	Total Grants.	Bombay's share.	Total Grants.	Bombay's share.
Open Lines :—				
By State Agency.	1,26,98	...	93,34	...
By Agency of Main Line Companies	2,14,72	31,82	2,17,29	42,00
Against Capital Account, Old Guaranteed Companies	43,31	28,00	88,95	28,35
Against Capital Account, other Railways	74,95	31,00	59,20	28,45
Lines under Construction :—				
By Agency of Main Line Companies	2,28,35	...	57,18	...
Against Capital Account, Guaranteed Railways	28,90	...	65	...
Against Capital Account, other Railways	2,37,74	...	1,61,82	...
By Branch Line Companies	1,27	..	...	...
By the State	64,11	...	6,70	...
Total....	10 32,41	90,82	6,83,13	98,80

	1903—1904.		Total for Three years	
	Total Grants.	Bombay's Share.	Total Grants.	Bombay's share.
Open Lines :—				
By State Agency.	68,58	...	2,93,90	...
By Agency of Main Line Companies	2,14,69	27,50	6,41,70	1,01,62
Against Capital Account, Old Guaranteed Companies.....	79.77	27,00	2,12,03	84,35
Against Capital Account, other Railways	45,78	15,87	1,79,94	75,32
Lines under Construction :—				
By Agency of Main Line Companies	44,49	...	3,37,92	...
Against Capital Account, Guaranteed Railways	1,00	...	29,55	...
Against Capital Accounts, Other Railways	74,00	..	4,73,56	...
By Branch Line Companies	...	...	4,27	...
By the State	..	..	78,81	...
Total....	5,28,31	70,67	22,43,78	2,60,29 or 11½ pr ct.

Compiled from Appendix A to the Administration Report on the Railways in India for the year 1900.

THE following changes are made in the Military Works Services :—Lieutenant-Colonel Day is transferred from the Bengal to the Bombay Command as Commanding Royal Engineer, Quetta District ; Major Barnet, R. E., is posted to Oudh District, as Commanding Royal Engineer ; Major E. Houston to officiate as C. R. E., Allahabad District.

THE PRESIDENCY CRICKET MATCH.

VICTORY FOR THE PARSEES.

PLAY in the Presidency Cricket match was resumed on the maidan on Saturday morning. The attendance was again very large. As on the previous day, rain had fallen heavily in the early hours but, the resumption was only delayed a quarter of an hour after eleven o'clock. An hour and a quarter later the match was all over. On Friday night, when play ceased, the Presidency in their second innings had made 112 for eight wickets and on the total for both innings were only twenty ahead of the Parsee score of 176. The over night not outs were Coombs and Sprott, the former having eight to his credit and the Presidency Captain having opened with a single. They went in again to oppose the bowling of Mistry and Mehta. Both men played steadily, though Sprott was confident and while Coombs blocked the Captain hit three singles and drove Mehta straight for three, following this by a drive off Mistry for two and another single snatched from the same bowler. The score was thus advanced to 120, but with three more runs on Coombs was stumped in stepping out to one from Mistry, twenty minutes after the start. Mr. Milman should have been the last man in, but was absent. At this point H. E. Lord Northcote who had arrived came on to the ground, shook hands and spoke with the Parsee captain Dr. Pavri and the members of the team were introduced in turn to him. It then appeared that Milman not being present, Dr. Pavri had offered to wait ten minutes for his arrival, but Mr. Sprott naturally declined a delay, which was opposed to rule, and the Presidency innings was closed for 123 at twenty minutes to twelve. The Parsees were thus left with only 32 runs needed to win.

To open their second venture the Parsees sent in Mistry and Meherhomji and the bowling was shared by Capt. Wood and Sale. The batsmen were expected to speedily knock off the requisite runs, Reliance was especially placed on Meherhomji. Any hopes, however, of making the number without the loss of a wicket were quickly frustrated, for Mistry had only been able to notch a single, when Captain Wood completely beat Meherhomji with a capital ball and he retired without having scored. The end, however, was not long in being reached. Machliwalla went in and smote Wood for four and in the next over drove Sale straight to the boundary bringing up ten. The batsmen also began stealing runs intent upon knocking off the requisite number quickly. Machliwalla drove one from Sale high to the Pavilion boundary, giving a chance to Cheetham, which he tried to bring off single handed, but failed. A drive for four by Mistry off Wood followed, and both men continuing to hit freely twenty was rapidly passed. At 28, Cheetham went on to bowl in place of Sale. The change was immediately effective for though Machliwalla drove him high to the pavilion boundary, Coombs standing on the border brought off a capital catch. With two wickets down the Parsees now but required four runs. Mehta went in and Milman went on to bowl in place of Wood. With a single added Metha appeared to be fairly stumped, but the decision was given in his favour. Another single was added and then Mehta made the winning hit by a drive to the on boundary off Cheetham. The match thus ended at half past twelve in a victory for the Parsees by eight wickets and four runs and great was the native jubilation thereat. Scores :—

PRESIDENCY.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Capt Douglas, b Pavri	8	b-b-w, Kharas	33
Mr E L Sale, c Kharas	3	b-b-w, Kharas	12
Mr P M Heath, c and b Kharas	0	run out	35
Capt Wood, c D Kanga, b Mehta	9	c Mistry, b Kharas ...	0
Mr J T Weatherby, c Sagrat, b Mehta	13	c Billimoria, b Kharas	3
Mr H Cheetham, run out	4	b Billimoria	10
Mr A C Rumboll, st Kanga, b Mistry	0	c Mistry, b Mehta	5
Mr Drysdale, st Kanga, b Mistri	12	c D Kanga, b Mehta..	0
Mr F L Sprott, c Kanga, b Mehta	5	not out	12
Mr A Milman, not out	18	absent.	
Mr E E Coombs, b Mehta	0	st Kanga, b Mistry ...	8
Extras	0	Extras	5
Total.....	9	Total	123
	84		

Fall of the wickets.—1 for 3, 2 for 8, 3 for 23, 4 for 29, 5 for 32, 6 for 67, 7 for 97, 8 for 80, 9 for 82, and 10 for 84.

Fall of the wickets.—1 for 17, 2 for 20, 3 for 45, 4 for 87, 5 for 96, 6 for 100 7 for 109, 8 for 111, 9 for 123.

PARSEES.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Mr H D Kanga, c Rumboll, b Douglas	21		
Mr D G Daruwalla, b Milman..	27		
Mr B C Machliwalla, c Weatherby, b Cheetham	1	c Coombs, b Cheetham	15
Mr B M Billimoria, c Douglas, b Wood	15		
Mr K M Mistry, c Cheetham b Wood.....	21	not out	11
Dr M E Pavri, b Milman	7		
Mr R P Meherhomji, st Sprott, b Sale	33	b Wood	0
Mr B D Gagrat, c Douglas, b Wood	8		
Mr D D Kanga, c Heath, b Milman	17		
Mr K K Kharas, c Sprott, b Wood	9		
Mr A H Mehta, not out.....	0	not out	6
Extras.....	14	Extra	0
Total	176	Total.....	35

Fall of the wickets.—1 for 48, 2 for 49, 3 for 77, 4 for 81, 5 for 92, 6 for 122, 7 for 145, 8 for 158, 9 for 172, and 10 for 176.

Fall of the wickets.—1 for 1, 2 for 28.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

PRESIDENCY.

1st Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	2nd Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
A H Mehta	21	10	29	4*		23	8	33	2
K K Kharas	16	6	25	2*		24	12	25	4
M E Pavri	3	0	17	1		3	0	14	0
K M Mistry	7	3	4	2		22·1	9	32	1
Billimoria	...	...	...	...		3	0	17	1

*Mehta bowled 2 no balls and Kharas 1 no ball.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

PARSEES.

1st Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.	2nd Innings.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Coombs.....	10	3	26	0		..	...	...	...
Wood	27

deal to do with the victory of his side. Billimoria's innings was in strong contrast. He hit out at nearly every ball he received and considerably enlivened things during his short stay at the wicket. He did not, however, meet with the success anticipated and did not strike me as being in the same form as 1899, when in the match between Patiala and Simla I saw him hit A. H. Browning for 20 in one over including two sixes. Mashkwalla failed through over anxiety to score, but in the second innings showed that his hitting powers are in no way diminished. Mistri played correct cricket in both innings, but for a player with his reputation was disappointing.

The wicket was certainly not in favour of heavy scoring but on the other hand the Presidency bowling was not the best in the world. Meheromji has every reason to look back upon his "debut" in Presidency matches with satisfaction. He not only made top score for his side but played the brightest and best cricket in the match. In the return match at Poona he should do well. On the whole the Presidency bowlers did better than I anticipated. Coombs, I have already mentioned, failed and the brunt of the bowling fell on Wood and Milman. The latter was a bit erratic, but all things considered made a creditable "debut." Wood bowled very steadily and kept down the runs and his figures—5 wickets for 68 runs—were very good. It was the batting of the Presidency that was so disappointing. In the first innings Douglas, who is by no means a slow scorer as a rule, took an hour to make eight and in the second was in for two and a half hours for 33. The latter innings was one of the most patient ever played in a Presidency match and for slow scoring has only been beaten by H. E. Brown who in the Bombay match in 1896 was batting nearly four hours for 16. There is not the least shadow of doubt that Douglas was far and away the best bat on the side but I think it was a pity he did not take more risks. Of the others Heath, Cheetham, and Sprott all justified their selection. The first-named failed in the first innings but in the second shared with Meherhomji the credit of playing the brightest cricket in the match, and moreover made the highest score. Like all hitters he did not hesitate to take risks and it was the greatest pity that he should have run himself out so foolishly. Had he kept going with Douglas a little longer, the Presidency total would have been a much larger one. Cheetham and Sprott met with a fair measure of success in both innings while Sale, Wood, and Rumboll came off in one innings. None of these batsmen, however, put up large scores, Sprott's 18 in the first innings being the highest. Kharas and Mehta bowled splendidly for the Parsees, the first-named having the better figures of the two.

Looking at the constitution of the Presidency team it will not be denied that the selection committee made several mistakes. Coombe, who owed his place in the team solely on the strength of his bowling against the Poona Gymkhana when he took four wickets for 48 runs, might, with advantage to the side have been left out in favour of Milne whose bowling record this season is a far better one and for his batting alone would have been entitled to have his claims considered. Another mistake was in Drysdale's case. This player has scarcely played any cricket this season and was obviously dead out of form, yet with these facts before them the selection committee gave him the preference to, for instance, a fine all-round player like L. J. Comyn because forsooth he made runs in the second innings of the Poona match last year. The mere fact that Milne and Comyn were passed over shows that there is something radically wrong in the system of selection. To begin with it is hardly fair on cricketers in the different out-stations in the Presidency that the team which did duty last week should, be considered a representative one. Besides Comyn who is stationed at Nasirabad, there are several good players at Mhow, viz, Captain H. R. Lee (an old Etonian), B. A. P. Schreiber who I learn from a good judge of the game himself playing in Mhow Cricket, is an excellent bat and in fine form this season; E. Underwood, who was in his public school and the Sandhurst eleven and is a very good all round man, also in form this season; and Captain Bayley a very fine cricketer, good medium change bowler and a run-getting bat. The claims of not one of these players were, however, considered by the selection committee with the result that the match resolved itself into a game between the Bombay and Poona Gymkhanas and the Parsees. If the system of selection is not altered it would in common fairness to upcountry cricketers in the Presidency be the proper thing to change the title of the European team to Bombay and Poona Gymkhanas. The present title is a misnomer not fair to the cricket-loving public and detracting considerably from the value of the win to the Parsees who are at pains to place a thoroughly representative team in the field and go as far as Patiala for some of their players.

The poor display given by the team last week will perhaps open the eyes of the selection committee to the necessity of going further afield for players especially when there are such good cricketers available as the above mentioned. L. J. Comyn, I have before mentioned, is probably the best all-round cricketer in the Presidency. His last year at Meerut he played four matches against the Patiala team, which included bowlers like Metha Mistry and Nanak Ram, and the two English professionals Brockwell and Hearne, and made top score for his side in two of them, his batting average for all matches being 47. He has also bowled with great success against the same team. Despite this recent success against the strongest team in India he is apparently not thought good enough for a place in the Presidency team at least by the selection committee. Mhow is at the present time full of good cricketers, the best being those whose names I have given above. Three of these players who, I believe, get plenty of practice could not very well be left out of a really representative Presidency team and if the team for the match at Poona is selected according to the qualifications of the players I hope to see all three included. The following team would make a much better fight of it than that which represented the Presidency last week: Douglas, Wood, Sprott and Milman (Poona), Heath, Cheetham and Milne (Bombay), Lee, Schreiber and Bayley (Mhow) and Comyn (Nasirabad). The bowling would be stronger with Wood, Milne, Comyn, Cheetham and Milman, and I think there will be few who know anything about the qualifications of the players who will not be ready to admit that it would be a far stronger batting side. Neither Weatherby Sale, Rumboll nor Drysdale inspired much confidence in the Bombay match and might with advantage be replaced by Comyn, Lee, Schreiber, and Bayley, while there is no question that Milne for Coombs would be a change for the better. R.

Pending the decision of the Secretary of State on the general question of the vacation of appointment in the Military Works Services by B. E. officers on completion of 5 years' service in the rank of Regimental Lieutenant-Colonel, the Government of India have sanctioned the temporary retention in their present employment in the Military Works Services of Brevet Colonels Duperier and Bagley, R. E., after their removal to the half-pay list on the 13th August 1901.

It appears from a Resolution in the "Calcutta Gazette" that the collections of income tax in Bengal amounted to Rs. 52,64,685 in 1900-1901, against Rs. 52,21,051 in the previous year, an increase of Rs. 43,634. The increase was due largely to the greater number of individuals paying the tax. There was a decrease of over half a lakh on the revenue derived from profits of companies, owing to slackness in the jute and cocoa trades, and the reduced income of the Darjiling-Himalayan Railway and Woodlands Hotel Companies, owing to the landslips which not only kept away visitors but increased expenses. The percentage of collections on the final demand on account of tax for the year was 96.8, as compared with 97.4 in the previous year.

In the Report on the Southern Shan States for 1900-01, Mr. Hildebrand writes:—The previous friendly relations between Captain Drage and the French officials east of the Mekong have been maintained. M. Ganesco has succeeded M. Montpeyrat who has made Mong Hsing his headquarters. M. Jacquemart, commandant of the "Le Grandiere," who has been there for so many years left for France in February last. M. Jacquemart, who seems a most enterprising sailor, succeeded in getting boats during the high water in the rains above the Tongsalam rapids, but was again stopped by the rapids below Pakka. A regular monthly Mail service has been arranged with the French officials at Mong Hsing. There has not been a single border case with French States and no moving of the populations across the Mekong.

FUNERAL GRAND LODGE.

IN MEMORY OF CAPTAIN C. D. WISE.

The Masonic fraternity of Bombay did honour to the memory of the late Captain C. D. Wise, Honorary Past Grand Master Depute and Secretary of the Grand Lodge of all Scottish Freemasonry in India, by holding a Funeral Grand Lodge on Saturday at the Freemason's Hall, Esplanade. There was a large attendance of European and native Freemasons, and about a hundred lodges, working under the Scottish and English Constitutions in Bombay and up country, were represented at the performance of the funeral obsequies. About 150 masons were present on the occasion. On arrival at the hall, they robed themselves in the Framjee Cowasjee banqueting hall, and assembled in the Sandhurst lodge room, awaiting the procession of the Grand Lodge officers, presided over by Dr. J. Pollen, Grand Master Depute.

When the Grand Master Depute arrived, the officers of the Grand Lodge formed themselves into a procession and went upstairs into the lodge room, where Dr. Pollen was received with honours suited to his high position in the Craft. The Grand Master Depute having taken his seat on the dais, the "Dead March in Saul" was played by Mr. Macnee, who presided at the harmonium. Funeral rites usually performed among Freemasons, having been gone through by the Grand Master Depute, Mr. P. N. Wadia, one of the senior officers of the Grand lodge, gave the oration, dwelling at some length upon the successful career of the late Captain Wise, who first saw the light of Freemasonry about thirty-five years ago. The oration was as instructive as it was a careful review of Captain Wise's masonic career.

Dr. Pollen, the Grand Master Depute, then addressed the assembly. He said: "You have all listened with deep attention to the eloquent oration of Mr. Wadia and it seems hardly necessary for me to address you further. I had hoped that his Excellency the Most Worshipful the Grand Master himself would have occupied the chair which I have the melancholy honour of occupying this evening, and that you would all have heard from his own lips in deep impressive tones, his sense of the great loss All Scottish Freemasonry has suffered in the sudden death of our well beloved and sure to be deeply lamented Grand Secretary. But the public and social cares which yoke with the gubernatorial administration of this presidency, prevent, to his own deep personal and masonic regret, his Excellency's presence amongst us this evening. He has, however, charged me to convey to you, assembled here this evening, his sorrow at not being able to be with us, and his deep sympathy with All Scottish Freemasonry in India and the family of Brother Wise in the loss they have sustained by the death of Right Worshipful Brother Grand Secretary. I am (as I have assured you on previous occasions) one of those who refuse to take a glowing view of death. The old Greek Philosophers used to maintain that "the to-have-died was the greatest good" and surely we—as Masons and Believers in the great secret—ought not to fall behind these non-Masonic philosophers of old. I for one believe that "transplanted human worth will bloom to profit other where." Brother Wise's life work has not been lost. He laboured for others here, and we may feel certain he is now labouring for others there in the Grand Lodge above, in that Lodge a nobler and greater work for him to do than when he toiled for us in this Lodge below. But the great principles of his work will remain the same. Brotherly love, Relief and Truth! For the Highest has translated the love of God into the love of man, the love of our Brothers and that love Brother Wise displayed throughout the whole of his masonic career. He loved the Brotherhood and did his best to help and ennoble his fellowman. I need not enlarge on his high masonic character. Always patient, gentle, courteous, kind, but at the same time intensely in earnest. His path in Masonry was the path of duty—and "not once or twice in our fair island story the path of duty was the way to glory. Brethren, we pass the path that each man tod is dim or will be dim with weeds. What fame is left for human deeds is endless age! It rests with God. But it is something to have served or tried to serve one's kind while here; and this Brother Wise did. It is, therefore, only meet and right that we should honour his memory, and your assembling here this evening in such numbers is proof positive of the high esteem in which Brother Wise was held by the Craft Brethren there are those who bring railing accusations against Freemasonry—and who assure us (as I was assured last night by a non-mason in the grab) that men only join the Craft "to get on," or "to get something out of it!" Brethren if there are such men amongst us I fearlessly say they are not true Masons. They certainly are no Masons of the type of Brother Wise, whose loss we deplore this evening. He loved the Craft because of the opportunities it afforded him of doing good, and because he believed in the sincerity of our professions. I knew our Brother: his mute dust I honour and his living worth; and I know that you all join with me in paying from the heart this last tribute of esteem and affection to one who did honour by his life and conduct to All Scottish Freemasonry in India.

On the motion of Mr. K. R. Cama, seconded by Khan Bahadur D. K. Chinagar, the following resolution was unanimously agreed to:—"That this Grand Lodge desires to place on record its sense of the great loss which Freemasonry in general, and the Scottish Constitution of All India in particular, has sustained in the death of our highly esteemed R. W. Bro. Capt. C. D. Wise, Hon. P. G. M. Dep., Grand Secretary A. S. F. I. His attachment to the principles of our institution, as well as his upright and devoted discharge of his duties as a Mason and as a man ever entitled him to our respect and esteem, and will cause his memory to be held in lasting and loving remembrance amongst us. That a copy of this resolution be sent to his family as a tribute of respect in which he was held by his Brethren."

Mr. C. D. Fardoonjee, acting Grand Secretary, submitted to the Grand Lodge messages of condolence received by the Grand Lodge on the death of Captain Wise.

The Grand Lodge was then closed, and the Brethren dispersed.

POONA THIRD EXTRA MEETING.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4.

First Entries Closed on Thursday, August 29.

The Horse Hurdles—Distance 1 mile over 5 flights.

1 Mr Montgomery's ch aus g Shareholder, by the Broker—Richmond mare, 6 years
2 Aga S Shah's br aus g Swiftsure, 5 years
3 Mr Harter's br aus g Jim Dawn, aged
4 Messrs Anderson and Co ch aus g Vedette, aged
5 Mr Westropp's b aus g Pearage, aged

The Pony Hurdles—Distance 1 mile over 5 flights.

1 Lt-Col Croly's g a h Hoosainee, 11 0 1-2
2 Mr J B's b aus m Swee, Marie II, 14 0 1-2
3 Mr Montgomery's ch a h Baddigore, 13 2 1-2
4 H H Aga Khan's b a h Helios, 14
5 Mr Percy Fischer's g aus g Good Boy, 14 0 3-4
6 Mr Percy Fischer's ch a g Burlingham, 13 2 1-2
7 Mr Anthony's ch aus m Darling, 14 1

The New Market Plate—Distance 5 furlongs.

1 Mr Green's b aus g Banquet, aged
2 Aga S Shah's br aus g Swiftsure, 5 years
3 Mr K R S's br aus m Lady Merrystone, 4 years
4 Mr O Dignam's b aus g Larrikin, 6 years

Maiden Plate—Distance 7 furlongs.

1 Mr Harry's g a h Midas, 13 2 3-4
2 Major Conran's ch a h Scorn, 14
3 Mr Faraj bin Sanad's b a h Roman, aged
4 Mr Ali bin Talib's b a h Mankcom, 6 years
5 Mr F M warda's b a h Darling, 3 years
6 Mr Green's g a h Boostan, 13 2 3-4
7 Captain Rogers b a h Minkin, 5 years
8 Mr S A Wahed's g a h Sweetlips, aged
9 Mr A R Amer's b a h Columbus, 13 3

The Sandown Plate—Distance 6 furlongs.

1 Thakur Beldeo Sbhai's g a h Fruit Salt, 13 3
2 Major Conran's ch a h Scorn, 14
3 Mr James' g a h Orphan, 13 1 1-2
4 Mr Green's g a h Boostan, 13 2 3-4
5 Aga S Shah's b a h Jodhpore, 13 3
6 Mr K R S's b a g Orvieto, 13 3 1-2
7 Mr Percy Fischer's ch a h Governor, 13 2 3-4
8 Mr S A Wahed's b a h Advance, 13 3
9 Mr Moosin Abdul Aziz's ch a h Sadoon, 11
10 Mr Abdool Aziz bin Saif's g a h Analza, 13 2

The New Comers Plate—Distance 6 furlongs.

1 Mr Hajibhoy Vishram's ch a h Bin Rushee, 13 2 1-2
2 Mr Moostapha bin Talib's b a h Cocab, 13 2 3-4
3 Mr James' ch a h Nonpariel, 13 2
4 Mr A M Shamlan's ch a h The Robber, 13 3
5 Mr K R S's ch a h Sterling, 13 3
6 Mr Sahad bin Faraj's b a h Nasarulla, 13 1 3-4
7 Mr S A Wahed's b a h Signal, 13 2
8 Mr A M Amer's g a h Silver Jubilee, 13 3
9 Mr Blondin's b a h Bin Curtea, 13 3

The Welter—Distance 1 Mile.

1 Mr Sahad bin Faraj's b a h Nasarulla, 13 1 3-4
2 Captain Greville's b a h Leader, 13 3
3 Mrs Bolleau's g a h April Fool, 13 1 1-2
4 Captain Smyth's b a h Regulus, 13 1 1-2
5 Mr S G Halliday's b a g Shaukat, 13 2 3-4
6 Mr S A Wahed's g a h Saood, 13 1 1-2
7 Mr A M Bhaharia's b a h Starlila, 13 1 1-4

2nd Entries close on Saturday, 31st August, 1901.

CECIL GRAY,
Secretary W. I. T. C.

Poona, 23th August, 1901.

We publish elsewhere the Government of India's Resolution upon the report of Sir A. P. MacDonnell's Famine Commission. It is apparent at the first glance that the spirit in which the Government has handled the matter offers no encouragement to controversy, and the Local Governments which have been waiting with their bristle up will be able to turn back to their respective quarters in peace. The Resolution ends with a generous tribute to the worth of the Commission's labours.

BENE-ISRAEL BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

The forty-seventh annual meeting of the Bene-Israel Benevolent Society was held yesterday evening in the New Synogogue or Khadak in Israel Mohalı, Dr. John Pollen presiding. From last year's report, read at the meeting, it appeared that the income of the Society for the year from donations was Rs. 373-11-8, from subscriptions Rs. 542-8-0, and from the interest on promissory notes Rs. 184-8-0, amounting in all to Rs. 1,100-1-8, including the donation of Rs. 64-12-0 collected at Calcutta for the Asylum Fund. The expenditure came to Rs. 1,370-8-0, of which Rs. 1,144-0-0, were expended for the support of the poor. The increase in the expenditure of Rs. 234-6-4 was caused by the monthly increment of rupee one per head given to the wards-men, women and children—as compensation for the high rates of provisions in the last year on account of famine, the deficiency having been met by drawing an equivalent sum from the balance for the last year. Among the donors for the last year were His Excellency the Right Hon'ble Lord Northcote, Professor W. M. Haffkine, M.D., C.I.E., Sir Dinshaw Manockjee Petit, Baronet, Messrs. David Sassoon & Co., Dr. S. Jacob and Mr. E. Meyer of Calcutta.

Dr. Pollen, in expressing the pleasure which he had experienced in complying with their Secretary's invitation to preside that evening, said he had read the reports of previous meetings and found they had been presided over by such eminent persons as the late Mr. Justice Ranade and his friend Col. Waters. He noted that Mr. Justice Ranade had compared the Jews as a Nation to the great Hindu community to which he himself belonged. Both nations considered they had a "special call." But Dr. Pollen noted one great difference! From first to last the great Jewish people were "conscious" of their call and with them the consciousness was an ever-abiding one.

The speaker then dwelt on the special blessing bestowed on Abraham—"In Thee shall all the Nations of the Earth be blessed." Israel gave to the world first a church and then The Book. No Gentile ever wrote a word of the Bible—the Old Testament or New. From first to last—from cover to cover—it was the work of the children of Israel! Dr. Pollen then described the Book as a line upon line record of the progress and career of the peculiar people. He then proceeded to dwell on the call of Abraham's children first to "learn" the Truth and then to teach it to the world.

Greece gave the world Science and Philosophy—Rome—Law and Government. But Judæa gave something greater than all this—She gave an abiding sense of the Holiness of God!

Captive Greece led captive her Roman Conqueror—but "Judæa Capta" captured and captivated both! The Law and the Prophets became "a Sacred School" for the whole universe.

Judæa's Mission was not yet complete, consciously or unconsciously the quiet Jewish race was largely influencing the destinies of the world! The chairman then glanced at the career of Disraeli and his life work—and alluded to the noble services Professor Haffkine had rendered to the community in Bombay. Great as were the services the Jewish nation had rendered to humanity their mission was not yet complete and noble and successful as had been the efforts of Professor Haffkine his future successes would be even greater than his past.

In conclusion the chairman urged the Bene-Israel community to press on in the good work they were doing, and he pleaded, specially for their Asylum Fund. He told a story how the great Jewish benefactor Baron Rothchild and the great Parsi benefactor Sir Dinshaw Petit had once been the only people in the world who responded to an appeal on behalf of a Hindu temple!

A vote of thanks to the chairman closed the proceedings.

RUSSIA AND THIBET.

THE THIBETAN MISSION.

It was not without reason, says the Vienna correspondent of the "Standard," that the visit of the Thibetan Mission to St. Petersburg was followed with distrust in England. An article in the Moscow "Viedomosti," dealing with the practical results of this visit, is very significant. It says:—"The memorable visit of the mission from Thibet opens up for Russians a prospect of good relations with that country, and thereby it will be possible to outflank the English boundary position on its right side. England secretly attacks us along the whole of the immeasurable frontier lines, and, both in the Far East and in Persia, Asia Minor, and the Balkan Peninsula makes secret but aggressive intrigues against us, while she limits herself exclusively to the defensive only in one sphere of her immense possession—namely, in India. Even her operations in the neighbourhood of India, which have an aggressive look, follow really only a defensive aim. If that is so, and only a defensive policy is to be found here, our method of action is indicated too. In every defence the flanks are the weakest points. For this we must, in our attack on the English positions in India, develop the operations on our flanks, and these operations will be much facilitated by the establishment of regular relations with Persia and Thibet. Much has already been done in establishing these relations with the first-mentioned country, and we cannot but greet the beginning of cordial intercourse with the subjects of the Dalai Lama with satisfaction. The alliance with Thibet only completes the might of that attack which the Russian soldier will have to carry on, perhaps from the banks of the Amu Daria to those of the sacred Ganges and the Indus, despite our love of peace. Lastly, this alliance may, perchance, remove the necessity for such an attack. If the English grasp the fact that we are not joking with them, and that four or when the Russian bugle giving the signal to gather on the Kushk post is the beginning of England's collapse in India."

The Moscow correspondent of the "Daily Graphic" telegraphed on Aug. 12:—"I am informed by an official who took part in the hospitable valediction which the other day sped the Thibetan Mission on its homeward journey, and who had some conversation with the Russian-speaking Chief Legate, Dorshieff, that the result of the visit of the Dalai Lama's representative to the Imperial Court will not be known for the present, but that it will duly transpire when the opportune occasion arrives.' Pressed as to the meaning of this ambiguous forecast, my interlocutor said, 'One of these days our Consul-General in Kashgar will probably be replaced by a Russian Governor-General, that is, when that outlying region of Chinese Turkestan has been incorporated with Russian Turkestan. This country will then command two of the gates to India—one on the west, at Kushk, on the Afghan frontier; and another in the north, from Kashgar. The friendship of the Dalai Lama will then be immensely useful to Russia.'

"I asked if Prince Uchtomsky's categorical disclaimers with regard to Russia's assuming a protectorate over Thibet might be accepted as authoritative.

'For the time being, yes,' replied my informant, 'but you must not take those disclaimers too literally. They are always open to the qualification of possible circumstances. For example, the question of a Russian protectorate over Thibet depends entirely upon the future attitude of the Anglo-Indian Government towards the Dalai Lama, and since that ruler is still a vassal, nominally at least, of China, and as it is our policy to conciliate and befriend the Bogdychan in the present distracted condition of the Celestial Empire, you will see that whatever Russia's ulterior intentions are with respect to Thibet she must meanwhile act with tact and circumspection.'"

Dr. Nishi Kant Chattopadhyaya, who has just been appointed Officiating Professor of History at the Maharaja's College, Mysore, writes a contemporary, is a Bengali gentleman with some interesting antecedents. While still in his teens he made his way to Germany, where he learnt in two years the German language sufficiently to deliver lectures on interesting Indian subjects in that tongue. He published his German lectures, which had a pretty large sale in Germany. While still pursuing his studies in Germany, he received an invitation from the Russian Government to accept the post of Professor of Indian languages at the Government College at St. Petersburg. He accepted the post, which he filled for about two years. For a time he was shown much favour by the late Czar. Being suspected later on of being a Nihilist and also of acting as a British spy, he had to leave the Russian capital in disgust. He returned to Germany, where he studied for, and got the degree of, Ph. D. On his return to India in 1882 Dr. Chattopadhyaya sought service under Government, but meeting with no success in this attempt, he repaired to the Nizam's capital, where he served in various capacities for more than a decade.

Floriline!—For the Teeth and Breath—A few drops of the liquid "Floriline" sprinkled on a wet tooth brush produces a pleasant lather, which thoroughly cleanses the teeth from all parasites or impurities, hardens the gums, prevents tartar, stops decay, gives to the teeth a peculiar pearly whiteness and a delightful fragrance to the breath. It removes all unpleasant odour arising from decayed teeth or tobacco smoke. The Fragrant Floriline, being composed in parts of Honey and sweet herbs, is delicious to the taste, and the greatest toilet discovery of the age. Of all Chemists and Perfumers, Wholesale Depot, 33, Farringdon Road, London, England.

REPORT OF THE FAMINE COMMISSION.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA'S RESOLUTION.

The report of the Famine Commission, with the covering resolution by the Government of India, as wired, has been issued. The latter states that before proceeding to the consideration of the Commission's report, the Governor-General in Council desires to express his sincere appreciation of the services rendered by these gentlemen to the State, of the wide and exhaustive range of their investigations, and of the conspicuous ability of their report, which will be of permanent value in its effect upon the famine relief policy of the Government of India in future years. The most important of the Commission's recommendations are then reviewed "seriatim." These are:—

(1.) The Preparation for Relief and its Commencement.—The value of test works and poor-houses is insisted upon, and the Government acquiesce in the suggestions offered for their management. The acceptance of this policy is, however, strictly conditional on the existence of the preparations upon which the Commission lays so much stress. Not only should a special district relief scheme be drawn up as soon as famine threatens, but the Local Governments should provide against hurry and uncertainty by maintaining in full detail lists of villages and public works to offer sufficient employment for at all events the first six months of a famine. Notes should be maintained of the classes on which the Government can draw for a staff of famine officials and of the numbers for whom it can look to each class, and the most practical recommendation is that a stock of tools should be kept in reserve.

(2). The Need of Discrimination in Famine Relief.—The Government of India are disposed to welcome suggestions that would facilitate discrimination in the grant of relief, and would check the waste of public money and the demoralisation of the people which the existing safeguards appear inadequate to prevent, and they would indeed have it further considered whether, by a substantial expansion of the agency for village inspection, it might not be possible to limit on local selection as a condition of admission to the relief works of all classes. The question is one of the most important of those connected with the possible improvement of the existing system of relief, and its consideration will be commended to the careful attention of the local Governments. However it may be with the admission to work relief, it is clear that grant of gratuitous relief must be in all cases subject to individual discrimination, that there are no automatic tests which can be safely relied upon, and that careful inquiry is necessary to prevent the extension of State charity to those who have natural claims upon persons able to support them.

(3.) Wage Rates.—The Government recognise that experience is the safest indication of the sufficiency or insufficiency of a famine wage, and whilst hesitating to accept the revised wage scale proposed by the Commission until they are in possession of the views of the local Governments regarding it, they appreciate the weight of the authority that attaches to the recommendations based on the wide experience which the Commission has had at its command. But they are impressed by the consideration that the reduced rates, though adequate to keep the people in health and strength, may prove insufficient if the relief is not granted in time to prevent deterioration. The Commission has shown its appreciation of this point. The Government desires to emphasise it.

(4) The Abolition of the Minimum Wage in the Case of the Able-bodied.—The Commission carefully safeguards its recommendation by insisting on exception being made for the benefit of the wearly, who are to be gauged separately, and assigned specially easy tasks, and never to be paid less than is allowed for adult non-workers. Subject to this exception, care is provided always to be taken to limit the tasks to the capacity of the workers, the Government are disposed to consider that fixed payments irrespective of work done might be safely abolished, and that the State would run no risk in abandoning a rule which actually encourages idleness on relief works. But this is a question on which the Government of India must seek the advice of the local Governments.

(5) The Character of Relief Works.—The Government agree with the Commission that village works should form a more prominent feature of relief programmes; admission to such works being limited by selection.

(6) The use of Cooked Food as a means of Gratuitous Relief.—The Commission pronounced strongly against this as leading to great abuses, but the Government hesitate to pronounce definitely against the use of this means of charity in all cases until the local Governments have been consulted.

(7) The Enlistment of Non-official Agency in the Distribution of Relief.—The Government accept the recommendation that this agency should be enlisted, particularly as regards those who are interested in the people and sympathise with them in their afflictions.

(8) Famine Policy After the Commencement of the Monsoon.—The Government agree with the Commission that at this time able-bodied labourers should be induced to return to their ordinary avocations by greater stringency in the conditions on which relief work is granted, and that it is inexpedient to offer the able-bodied gratuitous relief. In view, however, of the reduced purchasing power of wages in time of high prices, the Government consider that during the rains labourers of the poorest class who are supporting themselves should not be held "prima facie" capable of supporting their families, and that their children, or a certain proportion of them, should be admitted to gratuitous relief till the harvesting of the earliest principal crops brings substantial relief to their earnings.

(9) Appointment of a Famine Commissioner.—There may be occasions when the head of a local Government may himself be able to act as his own Famine Commissioner, but the Government of India conceive that such occasions will be rare, and they are of opinion that the appointment of a Famine Commissioner should be a normal feature of famine policy wherever relief operations are on a considerable scale.

(10) Revision of the Provincial Famine Code.—This is accepted, but the local Governments will be consulted regarding the maintenance of the normal lists of relief workers.

(11) Mortality of the Famine Year.—The Commission consider that the adverse conditions of that year resulted in the death of one million persons, of whom three-fourths belonged to Bombay. The figures are reviewed, attention being directed to the high mortality from cholera in Gujarat and the autumn fever in Ajmere. In both tracts also the death-rate was raised by crowds of moribund immigrants from the adjoining Native States.

(12) Loss of population shown by the recent census.—The figures given by the Commission are briefly reviewed.

(13) Immigration from Native States.—The Inquiries of the Commission have not enabled it to formulate recommendations for the check of this immigration, which must be accepted as an inevitable feature of a famine in Native territory. It is satisfactory that the Commission should have been struck by the advance made in their famine policy by most of the Durbars towards bringing their relief into line with the humane policy of the British Government. The recommendation that Native States should be encouraged to maintain complete programmes of relief works will receive separate consideration. It accords with the decision of the Governor-General in Council that the investigations of the ensuing cold weather into the possibility of extending irrigation should, as far as possible, include such Native States as desire advice in this matter.

(14) Cattle Mortality.—Amongst the most melancholy results of the famine was the great loss of cattle, which it is feared, has crippled for some time to come the once flourishing province of Gujerat. The recommendations of the Commission for the formation of a reserve of rolling-stock on railways for the carriage of fodder will be separately considered. Various suggestion are made for increasing the stock of fodder locally available, which will be commended to the attention of the provincial departments of agriculture.

(15) Expenditure on Relief in some cases Excessive.—That the mortality of the famine, and the losses suffered by the people were not due to any want of liberality on the part of the Government is sufficiently clear from that part of its report in which the Commission records its opinion upon the expenditure entailed by famine relief. It was only to be expected that under such conditions as those of 1899-1900 the relief of distress would prove exceedingly costly, but allowing that the needs of the population are far greater when weakened by a series of calamities than when suffering from a single misfortune, there is reason to apprehend that the outlay was larger than was necessary. The Government of India do not desire to follow in detail the arguments which tend to show that relief was in some cases too prodigally granted, to the waste of public money and the demoralisation of the people. They revise the difficulty which must be experienced under the rules in force in denying charity to those who no longer feel shame in demanding it, but they accept the conclusions of the Commission that there was in some areas undue expenditure of public money. They believe that the liberal distribution of gratuitous relief in the Central Provinces during the rains saved thousands of lives, and was a direct cause of the unusually low death-rate during the autumn months, but they cannot resist the conclusion that this gratuitous relief was, especially in some districts, granted with too profuse a hand.

(16) Railways.—The protective value of railways was more clearly demonstrated than in 1896.

97. The Commission advocates a considerable increase of rolling-stock at the cost, if necessary, of the Famine Insurance Grant. The Government remark upon this is that the railways were clearly unable to carry much of the food-grain and fodder which were offered them during the famine, and this suggestion will receive careful consideration, but it seems possible rather to ana[lyse] the block in traffic was due [to] limitations in the carrying capacity of the rolling-stock. [Ba]n to the deficiency of the

(17) Takavi Advances.—It is stated that it is essential for the utilisation of the Charitable Relief Fund given out in good years that they should be given out in good years that they should be liberal Provinces where loans that they should be [fa]cilitated the distribution will be commonly [gi]ven expedients in the Central Provinces, the consideration of the local Governments.

(18) Expenditure on Charitable Relief Fund.—This was nearly equivalent to takavi advances. It is hardly possible to exaggerate the value of the assistance thus rendered to industry and people, or to overstate their obligation to subscribers to this charity.

(19) Suspensions and Remissions of Land Revenue.—The Commission held that collection was unduly strin[gent] in Berar, where the Government were not in[clined] to make demands of the with a policy of great liberality was consistent with the recommendation the Government concur general where the failure of crops should be Local Governments will be [fo]llowed in this point, and also as regards [le]gislation connected with on tenancy law of some provinces, [in]dustrial development of the of solvent proprietors, and guarantees in the case to them will be applied to the relief remissions.

(20) Incidence of Land Revenue.—Produce of the Land.—The resolution, after Commission's figures showing the [ra]tion of the revenue to the produce of the land, [an] of land percentages have been arrived at: These which take the produce as consisting [of] regulations and omit from account the large [dif]ference in only between the grain crop and such produce as value or cotton. They are, on the average, exceedingly when compared with the share of their low which the Government is entitled by the [Co]de to the country, or which is conceded to it [by] rules of exacting cri[ti]es of its revenue policy, and the most conclusion of the Commission is that the [ra]te nowhere sufficiently high to be in itself a cause of debtedness, but its levy in cash in seasons[of] crops undoubtedly strains the resources of [the] who have spent the income of favourable seasons it accrued to them; and to a people who have to learn the value of thrift there is a consequent need of borrowing, which in a succession of bad sons may end in heavy indebtedness.

The resolution concludes: "The Commission makes no[t] a series of important suggestions for the improvement of the condition of the agricultural classes[by] cutting the painter and so forth. But he has It recommends greater elasticity in revenue collection allowed his Republican convictions to prevent tion generally, and particularly in the districts of the making walking sticks for Royalty. Queen Bombay Deccan, the establishment of agricultural [Vic]toria was very proud of a stick he sent her years banks, the encouragement of land improvement, with the words "Empress and Queen" carved the expenditure of a larger share of State funds on from end to end. He has accepted decorations, irrigation works, and generally a wider attention to and has been photographed with King Edward measure for increasing the knowledge, intelligence, other members of the Royal house. One of his and thrift of the cultivators. Particular attention comments was something very near a record, is invited to the indebtedness which now fetters the only a few weeks.

cultivating classes in the Bombay Deccan and has Mr. brought a large proportion of them under the control George Kennan will speak with all the of the money-lending interest, and some very authority on the Exile System in the land of radical measures of reform are advocated. The the Czabority on the exile system in the land of recommendations of the Commission in all these from [no]w that he himself has been expelled respects will be considered in detail with due respect from [Ru]ssia. Kennan knows Russia well. He led to the authority attaching to them, and the Governor-exploring [pa]rties into the heart of the vast empire General in Council welcomes them in the expectation when he was still a young man in the twenties. As that they will lead to a number of most beneficial a young [m]an in the twenties. As reforms. The Government of India have already for the [la]st twenty-one, he established the route taken action on two of the lines indicated. The connection [be]tween American telegraph line, and in development of village credit associations has been travelling [o]n his work he spent three years in under the consideration of a specially constituted never laid, north-eastern Siberia. The line was Committee, and the practicability of a wide extenwork, Mr. Kever, and instead of developing the sion of irrigation works is the subject of a local en-story of the land came home to tell the world the quiry as a preliminary step to a thorough investiga-story of the [ex]ile. He went back again tion of this question by an expert Commission during before he [se]ttled down to write, and devoted some the forthcoming cold weather season. of his best years [to] exploration.

"In making public the report of the Commission, "Siberia and [the] Exile System" has probably and in passing judgment upon it, the Governor-had something [to] do with the expulsion of its General in Council desires finally to record his author from Russi[a]. With the lamp of truth is not to be appreciation of the assistance which the Government turned on Siberia [wi]ll immunity. But Mr. Kennan, will derive in the treatment of future famines from of all men in the wo[rld] need hardly regret his exile. the body of authoritative opinion that has thus been He knows Russia wel[l] enough—as well, perhaps, as placed at its disposal. He feels assured that a any one man can kno[w] country so vast in extent, material advance has been made towards the solution so unimaginable in its [re]sources, so lacking in facilof the difficulties with which the State is confronted ities for travel, so impe[n]etrable in mysteries, so fast in undertaking at uncertain intervals and at short bound in red tape, so hap[pily] in its law, so kept down notice a gigantic and unparalled system of poor relief. by its officials, so crowded [w]om end to end and sides If India is called upon again to suffer in the future to side with pretty tyrants [an]d penny kings, as is the she will be better able, in so far as managing and modern Russ[ia]. He has had [th]e unique experience organisation are concerned, to meet her misfortunes of visiting all the convict pris[on]s and mines between from the lessons that have been learned in the sad the Ural mountains and the [A]mur, and has made school of the recent visitation, and that have now been tracks through Russian wilds [al]most unknown to collated by the most competent and sympathetic Russia itself. Mr. Kennan, [th]ough exiled from hands." Russia for the rest of his life, could hold his own well in an examination on Russia with any man in the Czar's empire, from the Czar and his Minister down.

FATAL ACCIDENT ON BOARD THE S. S. ORMUZ.

SAD DEATH OF MR. H. R. LESSLIE, THE SECOND OFFICER.

A very lamentable accident, whereby Mr. H. R. Lesslie, the Second Officer of the Orient-Pacific steamer Ormuz, lost his life, occurred on board shortly before 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon (Aug. 27). The vessel was casting off her moorings at 4-40 p.m., preparatory to her departure, when the cleat, to which one of the mooring ropes was attached, gave way, and struck Mr. Lesslie, who was superintending the operations, on the ribs, hurling him violently on the iron deck. In the fall Mr. Lesslie broke his right leg, and sustained serious injury to the base of the skull, besides other minor injuries. He became unconscious at once. The ship's surgeon, with the assistance of another doctor who happened to be among the passengers, immediately dressed the wounds. Dr. Keegel, the Port Surgeon, who was afloat at the time, promptly went on board, and assisted the other doctors. Subsequently Mr Lesslie was brought ashore in the Port Surgeon's boat, and removed to the General Hospital in the Police ambulance. He was admitted into the Passengers' Ward at 6-45 p.m., and breathed his last at 8 o'clock, never having regained consciousness. Mr. Lesslie, who was twenty-nine years of age, was a son of one of the Directors of Messrs. Anderson, Anderson & Co., who are Joint Managers in London, with Messrs. F. Green & Co

ECHOES OF SCIENCE.

Dr. Barton's war-balloon is of cigar-shape, with platform and machinery suspended below, but it has a horizontal aeroplane for causing the balloon to ascend, or descend, and at the rear a vertical aeroplane for steering it to right or left. The centre of gravity of the machine is altered by pumping water from one tank to another. The propellers are driven by a high-speed motor.

Herr Emil Nemethy, a Hungarian, has made a small aeroplane, described in the "Illustrirte Zeitung." It weighs 80 lbs., and the aeroplane, or wings, which are modelled on those of a swallow, have a spread of 194 square feet. The aeronaut sits in a saddle underneath, and the machine is propelled by a "screw" driven by a gasoline motor of 1-4 horse-power. The centre of gravity is shifted by changing the position of the saddle and its rider.

A wave-motor, or motor worked by the waves of the sea, has been installed at Avalon, California, by C. H. Benning, of the Wilmington Transportation Company, to work a fog-bell and pump salt water into a reservoir for watering the streets of the town. It can also be used for pumping out ships, and we suppose it could be utilised in generating electricity either directly or by filling a dam.

A new Scotch lightship will have no crew. Gas stored in a tank will supply a masthead lamp by a pipe in the hollow mast, and a fog-bell will be rung by the rolling of the vessel in rough weather, and failing that, by the current of gas.

Mr. C. A. Benbow recommends the introduction of the eland from Cape Colony into the scrub of New South Wales, which is almost valueless as pasture, especially in years of drought. The eland is one of the largest of antelopes, often equalling an ox in weight, is easily domesticated, yields excellent meat, and can live on the leguminous bushes of the Australian scrub.

One of the most effective ways of destroying the locust is to spread the fungus disease among them. According to Dr. Sinclair Black the Cape of Good Hope fungus is the Empusa acridis, and the culture put on moist crumbs of bread is eaten by locusts, kills them, and their bodies eaten by other locusts infect these with the disease. The method is not so effective in dry as in damp weather.

As the conductivity of a chemical solution depends on the proportion of chemical in the water, Mr. Fuller has devised a method of testing the strength of mineral waters by their conductivity for an electric current. The method does not, of course, dispense with the more elaborate chemical analysis, but for ordinary purposes it serves. An alternating current of electricity passed through the water gives a sound in a telephone, and the loudness of the sound is a rough test of the conductivity.

A spiral collector of dust which will be useful in factories, &c., has been invented by M. Danvin and brought out by M. Establie, 11, Quai de Valmy, Paris.

In a paper "On Alcoholism in France," published in the "Revue-Generals des Sciences," Dr. Raoul Leroy concludes that it is causing the degeneration of the nation, and above all in Normandy. The population of Normandy is going down, and the number of criminals and idiots is going up.

The American Government have ordered a new machine for calculating the tides, which will do the work of thirty computers.

Professor Rucker is, we learn, to resign his position as Secretary to the Royal Society on his appointment as Principal of the London University.

The municipality of Paris are trying glass paving in the streets. The glass is "devitrified" and hard, smooth, opaque, but it is costly and resonant.

Expeditions to the North Pole become more numerous. While Peary, Sverdrup, and Stein are in the field already, Baldwin is on the way, and Makarov and Berdier are preparing. Anchutz-Kampfe of Munich proposes to go in a submarine boat. It remains for others to try the ice-breaking vessel and the motor-balloon.

Professor A. C. Haddon, F. R.S., the well-known anthropologist, intends to resign the chair of Zoology in the Royal College of Science, Ireland, in order to devote more time to anthropological work. The complex ethnology of the Irish, mis-called "Celts," is a promising field, and we could wish that Professor Haddon turned his attention more to Ireland than to the savages of the East Indian archipelago.

Mr. Havelock Ellis finds from a study of our greatest geniuses that they show a tendency to be tall rather than short, the average height being taken as 5 feet 8 inches. Touching pigmentation, and dividing them into blue-eyed, brown-eyed, and intermediate, he notes that most of our great men of science and artists have been blue-eyed, and most of our great soldiers, poets, writers, divines, and actors dark-eyed, while an equal proportion of our great lawyers and sailors have been blue and dark-eyed. Men of genius in general are remarkble for their brilliant eyes. Burns's were like coals of living fire, and Chatterton's had fire rolling at the bottom of them.

An absurd story having got about that sea salt baths in life, many New Yorkers began to take it, with the result that some have grown scorbutic, others have lost their teeth or hair, and all have suffered from stomachic troubles and general debility.

According to M. Chauveau, in the "Chauffeur," the alcohol motor for automobiles is rather less effective than the gasoline motor, but alcohol in France costs rather less than gasoline, so that the expense for both is about the same.

It is stated that in future the Automobile Club of France will require that cars in the races shall only weigh about 2,000 lbs. when fully equipped. At present, owing to the absence of weight limits, the ordinary racing car weighs about 1 1-2 tons or more.

A Chicago youth, Mr. C. C. Fitzmorris, recently tried a race round the world with a New York boy, and won. The time of his journey was 60 days, 13 hours, 29 minutes, and 42 4-5 seconds. "Phineas Fogg's" 80 days, not counting seconds, is much out of date.

The investigations of Bert have made clear the action of oxygen on organisms subjected to feeble atmospheric pressure. His numerous experiments have shown that the accidents to which one is exposed in rarefied air can be avoided by keeping nearly constant the quantity of oxygen taken in at each respiration. Accordingly, since his time, aeronauts have carried with them oxygen, which they breathe through a flexible tube fitted with a mouthpiece. M. Callietes (in a paper read before the Paris Academy of Sciences) remarks that this method of taking the oxygen is defective. Ever since birth we have been accustomed to breathe through the nose, and aeronauts have difficulty in giving up this habit and breathing through the mouth. Thus the oxygen inspired through the mouthpiece scarcely fills the mouth, and is ordinarily rejected without having penetrated to the lungs. The author presented to the Academy an apparatus enabling aeronauts to carry and have at their disposal large quantities of oxygen stored in small volume, and to assure the absorption of the gas without taking any particular care. It is composed (1) of one or several vessels containing liquid oxygen, (2) of a recipient in which this is turned into gaseous oxygen, and (3) of a kind of mask which renders the respiration of the gas certain. Pure oxygen almost always causes nausea and illness. To avoid this M. Callietet has placed in the mask a shutter with variable opening, enabling the wearer to mix with the oxygen a certain volume of air. The aeronaut regulates this opening so that the oxygen increases in amount with the height, and, with the object of preventing the condensation of the water vapour contained in the respired gases, he allows it to escape by a flexible tube furnished with a special valve and hidden under the aeronaut's clothes to prevent freezing.

The town of Bordeaux has instituted an excellent method of practically dealing with the cases of tuberculosis within its boundaries. An Anti-Tuberculous Society has been formed that publishes documents relating to tuberculosis, encourages the use of tuberculin in the stables from which milk is supplied, assists the doctors by analysing and reporting on sputum or other specimens in suspected cases; when necessary, carries out inoculation experiments in guinea-pigs for the purposes of diagnosis, and in every other way possible furnishes aid to the physicians concerned. The latest reports speak in the highest terms of the success of this means of combating the ravages of phthisis.

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CHARGE OF DEFAMATION AT CAWNPORE.

The defamation case of Hoff versus Babu Moti La Ghose, editor of the "Amrita Bazaar Patrika," was resumed before Mr. Charles, the Joint Magistrate at Cawnpore on Wednesday. Mr. Harrison appeared for Mr. Hoff, and the accused was represented by Mr. Wallach, barrister-at-law, and Babu Triloknath Rannerji, and Mr. Satya Charan, Babu Kali Prosanna Nayvabishavid, editor of the "Hitbadi," who had given evidence at the former hearing, was cross-examined by Mr. Wallach and replied to the following effect: I was first engaged by the "Amrita Bazaar Patrika" in 1892 or 1893. I was not a proof-reader, but a sub-editor. I did not get Rs. 25 monthly as proof-reader, but Rs. 75 a month for three months as paid subeditor. Before I was sub-editor I worked gratuitously at different times for three of four years as a contributor and correspondent, writing mostly at my house, but sometimes at the office. It was a daily paper then, not published three times a week. I know there are two editions—the town and the mofussil. The latest time for posting the mofussil edition in Calcutta is 6-30 p.m. to catch the N.-W. P. mail. I am on indifferent terms with Moti Lal Ghose. I have not visited him for two years. I do not know the number of sub-editors. I was prosecuted once by Moti Lal Ghose and I prosecuted him—a case and counter case—in 1899. I was committed to the Sessions and tried by Mr. Justice Jenkins and a jury for defamation and sentenced to nine months' imprisonment. It was for the defamation of a lady. I was prosecuted by an indigo planter named Sherrif for defamation. I deny that I offered an apology. An apology was afterwards published in the paper while I was in prison. In 1900, I was prosecuted for having defamed Rai Behari Sen and fined Rs. 200 and I appealed to the Sessions Court, who thought the fine too lenient and sent it to the High Court, for enhancement. In 1898, Dwar Nath Roy prosecuted me for defamation. No apology was offered in my paper, only an expression of regret for having caused him pain. I did not retract a word or statement. K. P. Biswas was a witness for the prosecution in the case. I published a judgment in which it was stated that Biswas had absconded. I went to Midnapore from Calcutta about 12-30 on April 26th, 1901, to attend the Provincial Conference. It may have been in July I saw Moti Lal Ghose at a Congress meeting. He did not address any Congress meeting in Calcutta this year in my presence. My teacher gave me the title of Nayvabishavid; he was a Professor of Sanskrit. All recognised Pundits can give this title. I have never seen this title granted by Government. I have known the printer of the "Amrita Bazaar Patrika" for the last two or three years. His brother is head-master of a school. I know nothing about the accused's financial position, except what I have heard.

Re-examined he stated: I only know the names of the sub-editors by report. I never heard that Babu Bhola Nath Ghose was one of the sub-editors.

The Joint Magistrate intimated that the case would be postponed until September 9th for the evidence of the witness for the defence, and that the accused would be summoned for that date. At the close of the proceedings Kali Prosanna Nayvabishavid was called on to show cause why he should not be prosecuted for not obeying the summons, and the case was sent to the District Magistrate for hearing.

NEWS FROM BUSRAH AND KOWEIT.

Our correspondent at Busrah informed us in his previous letter, dated "Safar 1319," which we had quoted in a former issue, that under instructions from the Porte, Mohsin Pasha, the Governor of Busrah, had started on a special mission to Koweit, and had been cordially received by Mubarak, and that the aim and purpose of this mission was not known, &c., &c.

He is now able to give some particulars:—

1.—Mhhsin Pasha delivered his message to Mubarak by asking him that since both of them are loyal subjects to H. I. M. why did he go to war with Bin Rashid, and shed the blood of both people?

2.—Why did he not report all such matters to the Government officials?

3.—Why has he a secret understanding with the British Government without the knowledge of his own Government?

It is said that Mubarak replied as follows:—

1.—Yes, certainly, both of us are loyal and obedient subjects of H. I. M. the Sultan, and it was not my wish to shed the blood of man but he (Bin Rashid) not only he, but his late uncle who reigned before him, by their covetousness and pride oppressed my subjects, and unlawfully imposed a heavy tax or Zakat, which they had no right. Their principal object and ambition is to possess all the country and put the people under their sway, which is evil in the sight of God.

2.—That on several occasions I had remonstrated and reported matters to the Government, but to my confusion I have received only "promises," which have resulted in the loss of my territory and subjects. I believe it is not out of the knowledge of the officials of Government that I and the Amir Bin Rashid are the humble servants of H. I. M. our Most Gracious Khalifa the Sultan, and that we are both to be looked upon and treated in the same respect. Therefore it is that wonder why Bin Rashid is supplied with arms and ammunitions and I am deprived of everything!

3.—I have no secret understanding with the British Government, but simply friendship, which will conduce to the improvement of the trade of the country, &c., &c.

It is said that Mousin Pasha is a great friend to Shaik Mubarak and he has always spoken up for him at the Porte.

We have heard also that Shaik Mubarak (on hearing that Bin Rashid has left his capital on an expedition) has also prepared himself, and the people of Koweit are very busy. He is forcing every able-bodied man, rich and poor, to accompany him, and has engaged a great number of the tribes, named "Nassirs," &c., from the north side of the mouth of the river Euphrates, although they are nominally Persian subjects, but unemployed men, and peasants. The tribes who will accompany him from the interior of Koweit are "Muttir, Ajmaa, Rashaylds" and others. He will leave about the middle of Rabi al Thani. It is said that Shaikh Sadoon will accompany him with his tribe "Al Muntajik" who had lately returned from Sabeya.—"Aden Gazette."

BEAR STORIES.

"The Old Gurkha" writes to the "Asian":—

I think the following account of how a bear was circumvented is rather good:—

In some parts of Ganjam a great deal of sugarcane is grown, and as there are many rocky hills which afford comfortable homes for the bears which abounded in the district, circumstances greatly favour these creatures in the gratification of their love of sugar. If they once get through the fence which protects a plot of cane, they can rob and then retire with impunity before daylight to dens, out of which it is often impossible to force them. I have heard of as many as twenty-five bears being seen by one observer in the course of a moonlight night among the cane gardens. A friend of mine once wounded a bear in that neighbourhood, and followed it to its den under the rocks. Many unsuccessful attempts were made to dislodge him, but at last it occured to some one to make a clay figure and lower it from the rocks above into the very mouth of the den; then by means of a rope round its waist the dummy was made to dance in so irritating a manner that the bear rushed out at it and was shot.

The following native yarn as told by a "jungly wallah" about slaying a bear is also not bad. "Once upon a time, Sahib, there was a poetal runner, who was a very brave and strong man. A bear met him between Yellapore and Hullial, and tried to seize him; but the runner slipped behind a tree so cleverly that the bear seized the tree. Upon this the runner laid hold of the bear's fore legs, set his own feet against the tree, being very strong he ground the bear against it; and the more he pulled, the tighter the bear hugged the tree, until at last the bear was killed, and the runner got the Government reward."

Before finishing with our friend "Bruin" I must relate an adventure which happened down in Ganjam. Travelling one moonlight night in a palanquin between Aska and Berhampur, a Mr. M. was roused by his bearers, who pointed out to him a bear among the bushes near the road; he had with him a single barrelled rifle, with which he wounded the bear; it then disappeared over the raised bank of a tank close by, and Mr. M. loading again, approached the bank in hopes of another shot. Just as he mounted the bank the bear met him from the opposite side, and rising on its hind legs, struck its claws with great force into his left breasts just over the heart, knocking him backwards, after which, scared by the bearers, it made its escape. When the wound was examined the doctor declared that only the full development of the chest muscles had kept the claws from penetrating to the heart through the thin folds of the sleeping jacket. Some weeks ago, I mentioned in "The Asian" an almost identical adventure which happened to myself and in which the bear came up on one side of the bank, whilst I crawled upon the other, and we both met unexpectedly on the top. It is a strange thing that the bear should almost always endeavour to tear with his claws the head and face of a "native," when it attacks a man, but tries to bite a "European." The native idea is that it seeks to get at the brain and devour it. Not very complimentary to us, but I have often noticed his difference in attack!

The result of the votes on the two questions submitted by circular to the members of the Uncovenanted Service Family Pension Fund is as follows:—Whether a Secretary be employed on Rs. 500—Rs. 603 per mensem: "yes," 430; "no," 475. Whether the post of Superintendent on Rs. 225 per mensem be abolished and a head correspondence clerk substituted on Rs. 100—Rs. 150 per mensem: "yes," 716; "no," 189.

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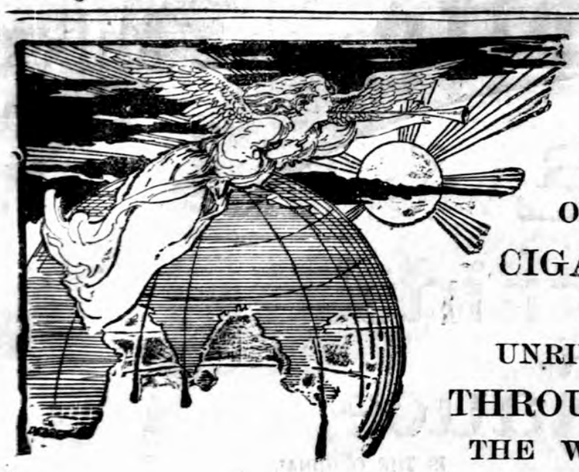

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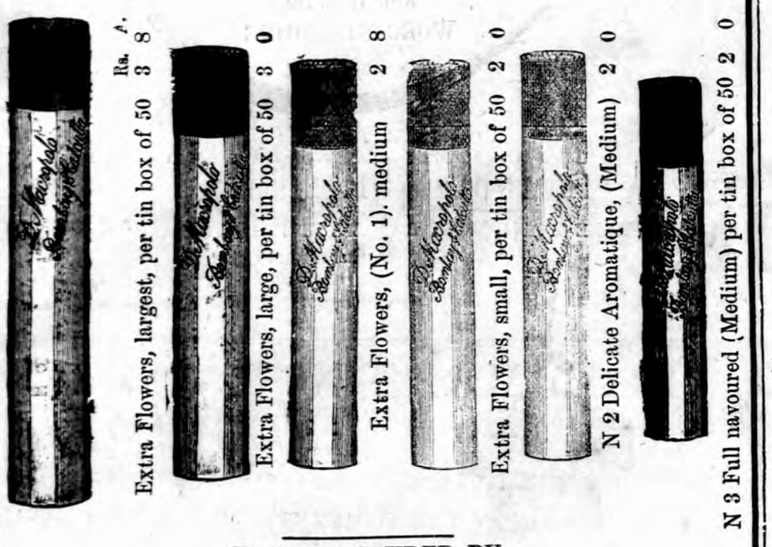
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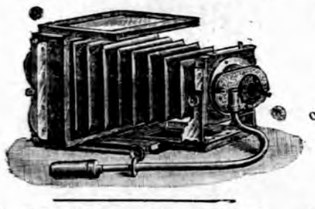

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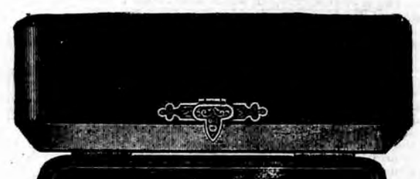

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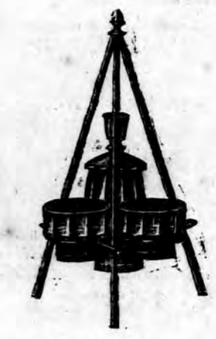

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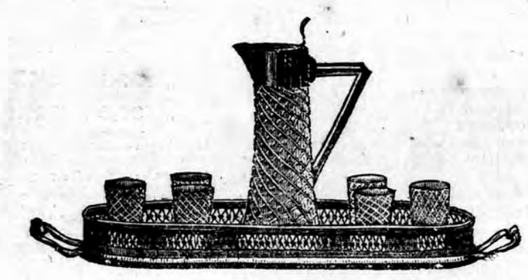

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